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Sun photo by Bill Thiry
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Enjoy UK's eighth NCAA title while it lasts

Enjoy this moment. Savor this team. The flip side of Kentucky's memorable season that concluded with the school's eighth NCAA national title following a 67-59 victory over Kansas Monday night, is the fact Anthony Davis, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, Terrence Jones, Marquis Teague, Doron Lamb and Darius Miller likely won't be back next season. Miller, a senior, has used up all of his eligibility, while Davis, Kidd-Gilchrist, Jones, Lamb and Teague could trade their textbooks for a hefty paycheck. It's hard not to blame the five under-

classmen for wanting to receive compensation for their skills. As Kentucky coach John Calipari has insisted, the one-and-done trend isn't one that he prefers, but he also wants what's best for his players. When he arrived at Kentucky three years ago, he insisted that his program would put the players first, and he hasn't wavered on his commitment to his recruits. In his first two seasons, Calipari sent seven first-round draft picks to the NBA and two that



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were chosen in the second round. Also in three seasons, he led the team back to the promised land and has the state beaming with pride again.

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Obituaries

RICHARD EUGENE ABNEY

Richard Eugene Abney, 83, of Winchester, husband of Ruth H. Watts Abney, passed away on Monday, April 2, 2012, at Clark Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Abney was born in Richmond, Ind., on April 6, 1928, to the late Rev. Rupert B. and Verlie Bivens Abney. He was a retired tool and die maker at the Lexington Blue Grass Army Depot, a member of the Epperson First Church of God, a Korean War Army veteran, a Kentucky Colonel and an avid fisherman. Additional survivors include two sons, Larry E. Abney of Irvine and James R. "Bob" Abney (Teresa) of Winchester; two daughters, Carolyn Young of Winchester and Elizabeth Ann Back of Clay City; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; four brothers, Charles Edward Abney, James Russell Abney, John Carlton Abney and Forrest Ray Abney; a sister, Virginia Browning; and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his brother, Roy Lee Abney, and his sister, Ruhama Sidwell.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 5, at Scobee Funeral Home by Brother Billy Keller, the Rev. Lee Cruse and Pastor David Douglas. Burial will be in the Winchester Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Mr. Abney's grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 4, at Scobee Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice East, 407 Shoppers Drive, Winchester, KY 40391.

The online guest book is available at www.scobeefuneralhome.com, and the 24-hour

funeral information telephone line can be reached by calling 744-2122.

TERI ANN HINKLE

Teri Ann Hinkle, 59, passed away Monday, April 2, 2012, at her home.

A native of Tulsa, Okla., she was the daughter of Thomas Roland Phillips of Tulsa and the late Betty Ann Leslie Phillips.

Teri was a waitress and attended Grace Bible Church. Additional survivors include her son, Derek Roland Harris; her daughter, Shyla Shaye (Mark) Barber II; and three grandchildren, Delaney Shaye, Destinee Dawn and Markus Allen Barber.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the First Christian Church by the Rev. Jerry Johns. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Teri Hinkle Memorial Fund at Central Bank.

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FRANK E. BEATTY SR.

Frank E. Beatty Sr., of Winchester, died Sunday at Clark Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 4, at 11 a.m. at Chenault Brothers Funeral Home, 126 N. Highland St.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until the hour of service.

Burial will be at Clarmont Memorial Gardens.

Chenault Brothers Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Police/Fire

WINCHESTER POLICE

Charged

— David Furby, 41, of 415 Mount Vernon Drive, was charged today with resisting arrest and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

— Brandon J. White, 26, of 300 Combs Ferry Road, was charged Monday with fourth-degree assault and non-payment of fines.

Reports

— At 9 a.m. Monday, copper and tools were reported stolen at 11 Lynnway Drive.

— At 1:54 p.m. Monday, a cell phone was reported stolen from College Park Gym.

— At 3:02 p.m. Monday, air conditioning units were reported stolen from rental property at 102 Magnolia.

— At 9:13 p.m. Monday, vandalism and property damage were reported at 1 Fox Lane.

— At 12:12 a.m. today, police made an arrest at 110 April Way following a domestic disturbance call.

CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF

Charged

— Larry D. Watts, 54, of 211 Center Drive, was charged Monday with first-degree driving under the influence.

— Travis L. Noble, 24, of 106 Nelson Ave., was charged Monday with driving on a DUI

suspended license.

Reports

— At 12:30 p.m. Sunday, James B. Little of 5040 Mount Sterling Road reported that he left to attend church at 9:30 a.m. and when he returned, his residence had been vandalized. A .38-caliber revolver, .20-gauge shotgun, .410-gauge, .22-caliber over-and-under gun, .410-gauge shotgun and .22-caliber Marlin semi-automatic were stolen, as well as \$320 in quarters and several knives.

Accidents

— Marcus A. Berryman of Mount Sterling was traveling west on U.S. 60 at 2:55 p.m. Sunday, when he lost control of his vehicle and veered off the road and struck a utility pole. He was transported to Clark Regional Medical Center.

— Jeffery T. Curtsinger of 1820 Clintonville Road was traveling north on Clintonville Road at 5:48 a.m. Sunday when he veered off the roadway and struck two trees and a fence. He was transported to Clark Regional Medical Center.

WINCHESTER FIRE-EMS

— On Monday, emergency personnel conducted seven local transfers and two out-of-town transfers. They also responded to one general medical call, one respiratory case, two falls, one motor vehicle assist, one cardiac case, one seizure and one engine assist.

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Winchester Municipal Utilities will be conducting hydrant flow tests in the following areas Wednesday, April 4:

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Bellbrook Lane
Boone Avenue
East Broadway Street
Buckner Street
Bypass Road
Calloway Street
Central Avenue
Chaucer Court
Crockett Court
Elizabeth Street

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French Avenue
Frontier Way
Georgia Street
Hamilton Street
East Hickman Street
South Highland Street
Hughes Avenue
Kentucky Street
East Lexington Avenue
West Lexington Avenue
Mackay Avenue
South Main Street
Mallory Lane
South Maple Street
Martin Luther King Jr. Drive

McCormick Drive
Memorial Parkway
Muddy Creek Road
Newcastle Lane
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Wed 4/4	Thu 4/5	Fri 4/6	Sat 4/7	Sun 4/8
82/61	71/50	58/46	69/47	76/53
Partly cloudy. A stray afternoon thunderstorm is possible. High 82F.	A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.	Showers. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 40s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 40s.	More sun than clouds. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.
Sunrise 7:18 AM Sunset 8:02 PM	Sunrise 7:17 AM Sunset 8:03 PM	Sunrise 7:15 AM Sunset 8:04 PM	Sunrise 7:14 AM Sunset 8:05 PM	Sunrise 7:12 AM Sunset 8:06 PM

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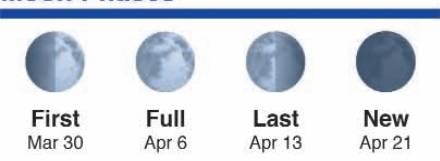
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ashland	80	57	pt sunny	Glasgow	85	61	pt sunny	Murray	84	64	t-storm
Bowling Green	87	62	t-storm	Hopkinsville	85	61	t-storm	Nashville, TN	85	61	t-storm
Cincinnati, OH	82	58	pt sunny	Knoxville, TN	83	61	t-storm	Owensboro	87	63	t-storm
Corbin	81	59	pt sunny	Lexington	82	60	mst sunny	Paducah	82	63	t-storm
Covington	82	60	pt sunny	Louisville	85	64	mst sunny	Pikeville	82	63	pt sunny
Cynthiana	83	58	pt sunny	Madisonville	86	62	t-storm	Prestonsburg	79	59	pt sunny
Danville	81	60	pt sunny	Mayfield	85	63	t-storm	Richmond	81	61	pt sunny
Elizabethtown	84	61	mst sunny	Middlesboro	83	61	t-storm	Russell Springs	82	59	pt sunny
Evansville, IN	85	61	t-storm	Morehead	80	58	pt sunny	Somerset	81	59	pt sunny
Frankfort	83	59	mst sunny	Mount Vernon	81	59	pt sunny	Winchester	82	61	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	81	61	pt sunny	Houston	82	70	t-storm	Phoenix	79	53	sunny
Boston	57	39	sunny	Los Angeles	75	54	mst sunny	San Francisco	62	48	pt sunny
Chicago	78	42	t-storm	Miami	89	71	sunny	Seattle	47	39	rain
Dallas	79	60	t-storm	Minneapolis	61	37	rain	St. Louis	84	64	t-storm
Denver	35	33	snow	New York	62	48	sunny	Washington, DC	69	53	sunny

Moon Phases



UV Index

Wed 4/4	Thu 4/5	Fri 4/6	Sat 4/7	Sun 4/8
7	5	6	7	7
High	Moderate	High	High	High

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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Local briefs

Parks and Rec, Civitan hosting egg hunt

The Winchester-Clark County Parks and Recreation Department and the Winchester Civitan will host the annual Easter egg hunt at College Park from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday. Those who place first to third in each age division

will receive prizes. If it rains, the egg hunt will be moved to the College Park Gym.

City commission meets tonight

The Winchester Board of Commissioners will meet 5:30 p.m. today at 5:30 at City Hall.

State briefs

Candidate under fire for missing key votes

FRANKFORT (AP) — Republican congressional candidate Alecia Webb-Edgington, a state lawmaker, was absent during votes last week on several key legislative issues, including adoption of a state budget. That has triggered criticism from an opposing campaign in the crowded GOP primary. Webb-Edgington was attending a fundraiser in Shelbyville on Friday evening when her colleagues in the House passed a \$19 billion state budget.

Jonathan Duke, campaign manager for Republican opponent Gary Moore, criticized Webb-Edgington on Monday, suggesting she had put fundraising ahead of her legislative responsibilities. Webb-Edgington, a retired state police major and former head of the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security, said a shift in the legislative calendar caused a scheduling conflict. The legislature was initially scheduled to be off Thursday and Friday, so her campaign scheduled events on those days.

Students charged in gang beating

HOPKINSVILLE (AP) — Police in Hopkinsville have arrested eight middle school students accused of beating a boy. Police officer Paul Ray said detectives found the beating was part of a youth gang initiation. The 15-year-old victim was not part of the gang. The TV station reported on Monday that the boy didn't immediately tell his parents and it was a day or two before he was treated. When his parents discovered what happened, they called

police. The teens who were arrested are held at a youth detention center in Paducah. Police said the attack occurred after school and not on school grounds.

Habitat building energy-efficient home

BEREA (AP) — A family in Berea is getting an energy-efficient home from Habitat for Humanity. The Richmond Register reported it is Habitat for Humanity's first "passive" home in the state, which means it exceeds federal Energy Star ratings and state requirements for building codes. Among its features: the home was built with renewable materials, has "super-insulation," three-paned windows and a heat-exchange ventilation system, which will reduce energy use by up to 80 percent.

Florida teacher pleads guilty to sex charges

FRANKFORT (AP) — A retired Florida school teacher has pleaded guilty to traveling to Kentucky to have sex with children. Dale Chisena entered a plea Monday to one count of interstate travel to engage in sex with a person under 12 years of age. Attorney General Jack Conway, U.S. Attorney Kerry B. Harvey and FBI Special Agent in Charge Perrye Turner announced the plea. The 60-year-old Chisena thought he was exchanging electronic messages with the mother of girls who were 9 and 11 years old. Instead, he was communicating with a cybercrime investigator in Conway's office. Authorities said Chisena is a retired second-grade teacher from Orange County, Fla.

Gunfire wounds man during celebration of Kentucky win

LEXINGTON (AP) — One man was wounded by gunfire early today in Lexington, numerous small fires were set and dozens were arrested as thousands celebrated Kentucky's win over Kansas to claim another NCAA title, authorities reported.

Battalion Chief Ed Davis of the Lexington Division of Fire and Emergency Services said he saw the shooting as he was filling out paperwork on a wreck involving a fire engine. Davis said he heard yelling about 25 feet away, and one man started shooting at another. He said the gun was fired "quite a few times."

Police Lt. Clayton Roberts said no arrests had been made in the shooting, which happened shortly after 2 a.m. The gunman disappeared into the crowd and behind some buildings and police could not locate him, Roberts said.

The wounded man, who is in his 30s, was taken to University of Kentucky Medical Center with serious injuries that weren't believed to be life-threatening, Roberts said.

The shooting happened after some people inside a vehicle had words with others who were standing on a sidewalk, Roberts said. He said the people in the car got out, and a person on the sidewalk opened fire with a handgun, hitting a man from the vehicle.

Fans filled the streets near the Lex-

ington campus within minutes of the championship game's conclusion late Monday. They jumped up and down, screamed, sprayed beer and waved Kentucky flags.

Lexington police had arrested several dozen people by the time the game had been over only a few minutes, police spokeswoman Sherelle Roberts said late Monday.

"We're seeing fires being lit and things of that nature," Roberts said, adding that people had set couches and at least one car on fire.

A car crashed into the patio area at a bar and grill where some people were dining, but the metal-and-brick wall kept the vehicle from getting onto the patio, she said. She didn't have information about injuries.

Police had also handed out numerous citations, many for alcohol-related offenses, Roberts said.

"I think that we're taking a more zero-tolerance approach," she said. "That has a part to play in it, but also people started celebrating much earlier than they did on Saturday. The amount of time to become intoxicated and the amount of time for us to be in contact with these intoxicated people has increased."

About two hours after the game, Roberts said police had arrested people

for charges such as criminal mischief, disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication and setting fires. She said officers were still making arrests but didn't have a precise estimate. She said police had used some pepper spray to break up fights.

The fire division's Davis said about 56 fire runs had been made in the area where fans had gathered. One was a garage fire, but the rest were smaller nuisance fires involving couches or bedding, he said. Davis knew of no fire-related injuries.

Emergency medical workers transported about 25 people to hospitals for treatment, mostly minor, he said. A lot of them were people who were intoxicated, while some had been hit by thrown objects or been involved in fights, Davis said.

The situation was similar to Saturday's celebrations that resulted in several small fires, Davis said, although the area was more widespread Monday.

"There are literally thousands of people downtown everywhere," he said a couple hours after the game was over. "Ninety-nine percent are doing what they're supposed to."

For their part, revelers said the post-game celebration was a far cry from the weekend mayhem. They credited heavy security.

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the national semifinals. This team, which featured a mixture of newcomers and experienced players, went 38-2 and achieved the team's ultimate goal of winning a national title. Calipari has insisted all season long that coaching them wasn't hard and was rather easy because of the team's chemistry, a blend that's hard to find with today's generation. Early on, the team wasn't focused on individual accolades and didn't chase the spotlight. Instead, success followed the Wildcats.

"They're special people who really decided that (they were) going to do this together," the Kentucky coach said. "When you say Michael Kidd Gilchrist and Anthony Davis (took) the fourth and fifth most shots on our team, that's saying something. I wanted them to

feel this, to understand the rest of their life, it's about servant leadership. It's about teaching all those guys how to lead. It wasn't just one guy, I wanted them to all learn how to lead."

One of those players — Miller — made the ultimate sacrifice for the betterment of the team. He could have complained about not starting, but, accepted his role and ended his collegiate career just like he did his senior campaign at Mason County High School — with a championship trophy. Miller led the Royals to the state title in 2008 and was a key factor in returning the Wildcats back to the top in college basketball. Miller was at a "loss for words" following the win over the Jayhawks.

"All the hard work that we put in this year, the sacrifices that people have made on this team, means a lot, especially with these guys," Miller said. "We've grown as

brothers. We've had a lot of fun with this (and) I can't really put into words how it feels."

Davis admitted that it wasn't "hard to take a backseat" to his teammates throughout the season, especially in the championship encounter, where he went scoreless in the opening half.

"All these guys (can) play," he said. "I knew I was struggling, so I told them, I'm going to defend and rebound, you all make the points. That's what they did."

And that's what this team did all season long, unifying as one team instead of a squad of individuals. The end result was a national title.

Soak it in, celebrate your

own way. Teams like this one don't come around very often. They're here today, gone tomorrow.

Kentucky Lottery

These Kentucky lotteries were drawn Monday:
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Cash Ball
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Decades of Dollars
04-06-09-28-29-47
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Community Calendar

TODAY

— Free AARP tax preparation, Central Baptist Church Annex, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

— Retired school lunchroom managers meeting, 11:30 a.m., Jade Garden.

— Clark County Homemakers Council meeting, 6 p.m., Clark County Extension Office, 1400 Fortune Drive.

— Celebrate Recovery, 7 p.m., Calvary Christian Church, 15 Redwing Drive, entrance C. A program based on the 12 steps and the eight Beatitudes for any hurt, habit or hang-up with support for family members, as well as Celebration Station for kids and The Landing for teens. For more information, call Dickie at 744-0817. Meetings are every Tuesday.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

— TLC meeting, Garden Girls Cafe, 1 p.m.

— Class of 1948 lunch at Natural Bridge. The group will be leaving from Winchester at 11 a.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 9

— Conkwright Middle School cheerleading parent meeting/cheer clinic, 6-8 p.m. For fifth, sixth and seventh grade students.

— Winchester-Clark County Parks and Recreation swimming clinic, 6:45-8 p.m., every Monday and Wednesday through May 16, for all age groups and abilities. Call 744-9554 for more information.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

— Celebrate Recovery, 7 p.m., Calvary Christian Church, 15 Redwing Drive, entrance C. A program based on the 12 steps and the eight Beatitudes for any hurt, habit or hang-up with support for family members, as well as Celebration Station for kids and The Landing for teens. For more information, call Dickie at 744-0817. Meetings are every Tuesday.

— Free AARP tax preparation, Central Baptist Church Annex, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

— Hannah McClure Elementary School-based Decision-making Council meeting, 4:30 p.m., at the school. There will be a joint PTO and Title I parent involvement meeting at 6 p.m., following the SBDM meeting.

— Conkwright Middle School cheer clinic, 6-8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

— Conkwright Middle School cheer clinic, 4-6 p.m.

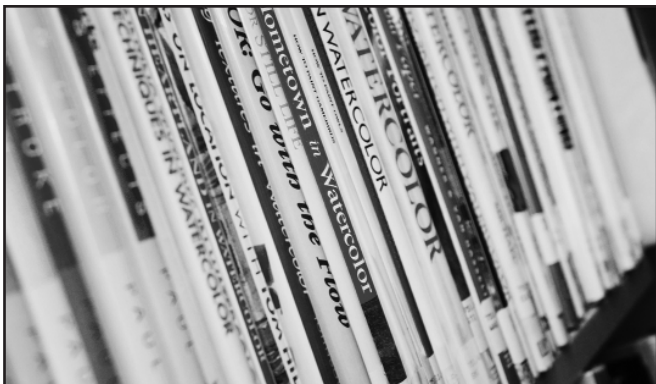
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— Conkwright Middle School cheer clinic, 6-8 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

— Conkwright Middle School cheerleading try-out/evaluations, 6-9 p.m. A current sports physical required prior to tryouts. Gymnastics are not required. For more information, contact Kim Ritchie at 771-5566 or Treva Parks at (859) 333-4643.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY

April is ‘One Book One Bluegrass Month’

By John Maruskin
Clark County Library

During April, the Clark County Library, along with libraries for Madison, Bourbon, Nicholas, Fayette, Scott, Woodford, Franklin and Anderson counties, is participating in the One Book One Bluegrass Community Reading Project. This project attempts to get patrons to read and discuss one specific book, Bill Bryson’s “A Walk in the Woods,” which is a narrative about his hikes on the Appalachian Trail.

Multiple copies of “A Walk in the Woods” are available for checkout from a display at the circulation desk. On that display, we also feature a number of other great books about walking the Appalachian Trail, orienteering, camping and hiking. Along with the featured book, every participating library, including Clark Public Library, will be offering special programs with Appalachian themes.

Next time you’re in the library, pick up one of the One Book One Bluegrass brochures. It will give you full information about the project and about programs offered at each participating library.

Guided hikes will be offered by each library to get patrons out and enjoying our superb Appalachian scenery. There will be 10 hikes in all during May. The Clark County hike takes place at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 28, at the Lower Howard’s Creek Nature Preserve. Preserve manager Clare Sipple will meet hikers at the Preserve entrance and take them on an easy to moderately strenuous walk around historic sites and wildflower areas. You don’t need to register for this program; just meet at the Lower Howards Creek Nature Preserve entrance.

Today at 6:30 p.m., the library will present its first One Book One Bluegrass program. Kentucky naturalists and gardening experts Brook and Barb Elliott present “Kentucky Underfoot: History and Day-Hiking in the

Bluegrass Region.” The Elliotts, authors of “Hiking Kentucky,” will discuss some of the state’s most fascinating trails and help you plan for day hikes.

On Saturday, April 7, we’ll be offering three One Book One Bluegrass programs. From 1 to 4:30 pm, Craig and Jennifer Caudill, owners of Winchester’s Bluegrass Budokai and the Nature Reliance School, present “Edible and Medicinal Plants All Around.” They will tell you how to find and use edible and medicinal plants easily found in Kentucky. They will lead a walk around the library’s green space and surrounding neighborhood to point out specific plants. Please register to attend.

From 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, the library will hold its Appalachian Books2Eat contest. Entrants will bring in a cake or cooked item that has an Appalachian theme. Prizes will be awarded for the most beautiful and most unique entries. After judging, the entries will be eaten. Entrants must register.

And at 3 p.m. Saturday, while cooks and friends are gnoshing the Books2Eat entries, members of the library’s Write Local group will read their works to entertain you. Saturday will be a day full of tasty treats and fine local writing at the library. Come on in and enjoy yourself.

While you are here, be sure to check out the excellent history of money display local numismatist Bob “Doc” Jones has loaned to the library for April. There are some wonderful and rare examples of coins, currencies, checks and even cowry shells on display. In conjunction with this exhibit, Bob will be appraising coins and currency from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, April 16, in the library Board Room. Later that day, he will present a program about historic currencies in the library Community Room at 6 p.m. If you have questions regarding appraisals, please call Mr. Jones at 749-5924.

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Yesterday’s Cryptoquote: SOMETIMES THE PATH YOU’RE ON IS NOT AS IMPORTANT AS THE DIRECTION YOU’RE HEADING. — KEVIN SMITH

THE VIEW FROM THE MOUNTAINS

Small, furry welcome

Tiny dogs eased moving anxiety

Some months back, before we left Winchester, I wrote a five-part series on Seeking the Joy. I did this, in part, because I was trying to find the strength and the reasons for making such a move and, partly, to shed some light on old age for others trying to live through it.

Since we arrived in Salida, Colo., I have been blessed with joy, even though both Gene’s and my health have double-crossed us. The first and most important evidence of Joy with a capital J is the ongoing presence and help from all four of our grown children who live nearby. Not one time have they failed us when we needed help, like driving us back and forth to Denver for our various doctor appointments. They tell us to keep a list of household chores, like clogged toilets, replacing light bulbs that we can’t reach, and even accommodate my obsession with things like pictures and rugs being straight. We simply could not have done this without them and we remain constantly thankful for their love.

The next source of Joy is the river, the Arkansas River that runs right through our town. There are iron benches along its banks for folks to sit and soak up the magic it seems to provide. Early on, I found that no matter how bad I felt or how worried I was about something, that if we would simply get in the car and make a five minute drive to the river and then just sit there for awhile, Joy, like a warm, soft blanket, simply enveloped us. Don’t ask me why that moving, clear water can have this affect on me, but it

does. Of course, once winter came, we could not go there and sit comfortably, but I hold it in my heart that soon, spring will come and I will be watching for the first warm day. You can bet we will be right back on one of those benches to soak up the Joy.

I would be remiss without telling you about another source of Joy. Phoebe and Steve have, among their critters, two Chihuahuas, Moose and Mojo. Even their names make me smile because they are so tiny and so dependent on human love and care. Every time Phoebe comes to spend the night with us, she brings Moose and Mojo and, let me tell you, those two little guys know when they are going to Mema and Papa’s house. But they don’t just recognize our house and get happy. There is a place on the trip between their house and ours (almost 3 hours away) when a turn-off is necessary.

Now, believe this or not but, the minute she makes that turn on the highway (which is many miles before our town), they wake up, stand up and start crying. I mean *crying*. Especially Moose. As he cries, he begins spinning round and round in their car bed, and this goes on until the car parks in front of our house. By this time, they, and especially Moose, are just beside themselves — barking, crying, spinning. Phoebe has to bodily carry them into our house where they literally “fly” to Mema

and Papa. I mean, we always have to sit down on the sofa so they each can claim a warm lap. Moose, even settled in a lap, continues to cry and whimper until he is convinced they get to stay

Last weekend this hap-

pened again, and said to Steve, “You know what? These little guys provide ‘Joy’ in all our lives, just seeing them wanting our love so much they cry.”

He said that I was right; they give us joy all the time. I just nodded

as I stroked Moose’s head softly. They step into our lives and they make us smile and feel a sense of pure joy, for them all the time and for us whenever they come.

Oh, and a funny thing—Mojo can be tricked with a doggie treat when it is time to leave, but not Moose. When he sees it is time to go, he lays his big ol’ ears flat back against his head and even tries to burrow deeper into whomever’s lap he is in. These two dogs adore Phoebe and Steve, but I am very happy to see we are included as they spread Joy all around them.

So, are we finding Joy here? Yes, we are. Now, if we can find remedies for what ails us, we will be just fine. And today, I just wish I could bring you here to see that on all four sides of us, there are beautiful, snow-covered mountains. There is Joy just in seeing that!

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Jean Brody



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Justin Allen
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Brandalyn Clem
Ashley DeLong
Karlee Grissam
Joshua Gross
Reece Hale
Erika Hatfield
Morgan Hazlett
Diana Hernandez
Princess Kendall
Stokely Moran
Megan Riley
Shana Rose
Emily Taulbee
Hannah Thomas
Alexander Tyler
Tyler Walton
RaeAnna Whitaker

Seventh grade

John Beum
Evan Carrington
Marcelino Clark
Christopher Collins
Harrison Crum
Brandon Crump
Erin Daniel
James Fernandez
Austin Fields
Allison Fink
Jacey Griffith
Charles Hale
Jordan Hatton
Daniel Helgeson
Brooklyn Hennecke
Holly Hummel
Gracie Humphrey
Justin Johnson
Christopher May
Ashley Melton
James Miller
Megan Negrelli
Paityn Palmer
Madison Pillion
Reagan Rainey
Kirsten Ratliff
Jacob Rose
Megan Rowe
Jordan Schwalbe
Tyra Spears
Keely Tibbs
Audre Yates

Eighth grade

Maria Carlson
MaKenna Dummitt
Heidi Geittman
Shelby Gilkerson
Connor Maxam
Reese Mitchell
William Reed
Macy Ridener
Sarah Sbert
Christina Turner

Honor roll

Sixth grade

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Zachary Adams
Andrew Allen
Dalton Amburgey
Celestina Appel
Mason Baber
Joshua Bailey
Sara Baker
Jeremiah Barber
Kelly Beazley
Jania Bell
YaMia Bell
Katrina Boone
Haley Boyd
Jacob Burchwell
Courtney Burris
Brittany Burton
Jace Burton
James Carroll
Austin Cartwright

William Caudill
Kenneth Cheuvront
Austin Clark
William Collins
Jacob Congleton
Chad Conkright
Mason Conley
Tyre Conner
Chelsea Cook
Harmony Cook
Tameera Cunningham
Kyndal Curry
Brooks Denham
Keetara Douglas
MaKenzie Dumitt
William Dykeman
Breanna Epperson
Jaden Farris
Lucas Ferrell
Sophia Ferrin
Jace Fisher
Andria Fletcher
Sevrynn Frye
Lauren Fulks
Bailey Garrett
Dasia Glanton Smith
Houston Goodman
BriAnna Goolman
Cara Gorham
Sasha Griggs
Nakiia Hampton
Tamiia Hampton
Joseph Happy
Brooklyn Harris
Keagan Hoaglin
James Hughes
Emily Hundley
Ethan Hunt
Olivia Hurt
Breanna Jones
Ciera Kelley
Gavin Kirk
Zackary Large
Elizabeth Leija
Michael Long
Eayly Ly
Cheyenne Martin
Landon Martin
Andrew McCord
Kylee McCord
Taylor McCormack
Jenna McIntosh
McKenzie Miller
Kaitlyn Miracle
Joshua Morales
Savannah Muncie
Katherine Neeley
Sierra Newsome
Kaitlyn Norton
Megan Olin
Kyran Osborne
Aaron Paynter
Madison Plowman
Ezekiel Poe
Seth Powers
Alexis Pulver
Alexis Reid
Kately Rose
Lorena Sanchez
Bryce Sargent
Kendra Sexton

Shelby Sexton
Shelby Shelton
Savannah Shrout
Jaden Smalley
Amity Smith
Allyson Spencer
Savannah Stephenson
Victoria Stone
Scarlett Stoneking
Alexa Sturgill
Megan Tackett
Chase Taylor
Dakota Taylor
Gary Thompson
Jayla Thurman
Becca Townsend
Zemond Turley
Kyle Vanover
Pachen Vaughn
Jeramie Waak
Sara Walters
Hali Ward
Nelson Ware
Taylor Whitaker
Courtney White
Brooklyn Wiggington
Tameia Williams
Joseph Willoughby
Logan Willoughby
Nicholas A. Willoughby
Nickolas T. Willoughby

Seventh grade

Carraden Adams
Jesse Appel
Cheyenne Ashworth
Andrew Barrera
William Barrett
Emily Bloomfield
Sabrina Boone
Chancey Bowden
Jordan Brookshire
Joshua Bryan
Hannah Bryant
William Buttrey
Jaxon Calk
Andrew Carroll
Emily Caudill
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Charles Claypoole
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Johnathan Dotson
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Noah Haggard
Charles Hall
Landon Hardy
Victoria Harmon
Brittany Hatton
Christian Higgins
Zachary Hooten
Kenneth Howard
Tamara Israel
Casey Johnson

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Leslie Justice
Angel Kilgore
Frances King
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Robert Wise
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April 13	at Wash.	7:05 p.m.
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TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2012 — B1

NCAA Tournament: Kentucky 67, Kansas 59



Eight is great



Sun photos by Bill Thiry

Kentucky sophomore Terrence Jones slams home the ball in the Wildcats' 67-59 victory over Kansas in the NCAA championship game Monday night in New Orleans. The title was the Cats' eighth in history.

Cats rock chalk Jayhawks to win title

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — There's so much more to Kentucky than Anthony Davis.

These were the collaborative Cats, and that's what made them so tough to beat.

Davis' supporting cast made the most of their turns in the spotlight Monday night, picking up the scoring slack for their freshman star and overwhelming Kansas for a 67-59 victory in the NCAA title game that gave the Wildcats their eighth national title.

"No one cared who got the accolades," forward Terrence Jones said. "The main goal was getting to this point and winning. That's what we focused on."

Michael Kidd-Gilchrist set the tone a minute in, staying in the game after a hard foul that looked as if it might have dislocated his shoulder, and Marquis Teague and Doron Lamb hit clutch shots that held back a late rally by the Jayhawks.

"That's why we came here, to finally get it done," forward Kyle Wiltjer said. "We are all just super excited."

Jones and Darius Miller also made their marks in the type of team effort coach John Calipari has gotten out of the Wildcats (38-2), who had averaged six players in double figures for most of the season.

The Wildcats' other NBA prospects handled things on the offensive end while Davis went 1 for 10 from the field. The AP player of

Kentucky 67, Kansas 59

KANSAS (32-7) — Robinson 6 -17 6-7 18, Withey 2-8 1-1 5, Taylor 8-17 2-3 19, Johnson 5-13 0-0 13, Releford 1-6 1-2 4, Teahan 0-1 0-0 0, Wesley 0-0 0-0 0, Young 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 22-62 10-15 59.

KENTUCKY (38-2) — Jones 4-7 1-2 9, Davis 1-10 4-6 6, Kidd-Gilchrist 4-7 3-4 11, Lamb 7-12 5-6 22, Teague 5-14 2-3 14, Miller 2-5 0-0 5, Vargas 0-0 0-0 0, Wiltjer 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-56 15-21 67.

Halftime-Kentucky 41-27. Goals-Kansas 5-11 (Johnson 3-7, Taylor 1-1, Releford 1-2, Teahan 0-1), Kentucky 6-14 (Lamb 3-6, Teague 2-3, Miller 1-2, Jones 0-1, Wiltjer 0-1, Kidd-Gilchrist 0-1). Fouled Out-Releford. Rebounds-Kansas 35 (Robinson 17), Kentucky 43 (Davis 16). Assists-Kansas 9 (Taylor 3), Kentucky 12 (Davis 5). Total Fouls-Kansas 16, Kentucky 15. Attendance: 70,913.

the year remained his dominant self in every other phase of the game with 16 rebounds, six blocks and five assists.

Lamb, who finished with 22 points, said his only goal when he returned for a second year at Kentucky was to win a national championship.

The sophomore has been a steady force all year for the Wildcats and

See TITLE, B3



Lamb led all scorers with 22 points.



Teague finished with 14 points.

Clark drops district opener

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

The George Rogers Clark baseball team opened the 40th District portion of the schedule with a 4-1 loss to Bourbon County Monday afternoon in Paris.

The Cardinals (0-6) collected five hits off Colonels ace Chase Mullins, but committed three errors in the contest.

Pokey Harris paced Clark's offense with a pair of singles and Brent Stoneking also added a pair of singles. Dustin Bonner added a single to round out the Cards' showing at the plate.

Clark scored its lone run in the first inning, but was held scoreless for the remainder of the game.

The Colonels tied the score at 1-1 in the bottom of the first and tallied two runs in the fifth and tacked on one more run in the sixth frame for the final margin.

Clark starter Derek McKenzie went the distance and scattered four hits, struck out three and walked just three batters. Two of those four runs Bourbon scored were earned.

Mullins fanned 13 batters, allowed five hits and issued six walks.

Golfers notice scene change

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Something is missing from the Masters this year, a tradition that ranks right up there with Amen Corner, endless roars on Sunday afternoon and the winner's green jacket.

Color. Red, pink and white azaleas that typically are ablaze for the opening round, have lost their bloom or were wilting fast. The beautiful contrast of white against the lush course comes from sand in the bunkers, not dogwoods.

Spring arrived early in many parts of the country this year, and not even Augusta National was immune.

"I saw them, but it was last week," defending champion Charl Schwartzel said, referring to the signature shrubs. "I was here a week ago last Thursday, and they were beautiful. But the first thing I thought was, 'They're all going to be gone.' I thought Augusta would be able to do something — get the fans on their or something. It's weird"

Indeed, the Masters has gone green.

The 13th hole has an estimated 1,600 azalea bushes — that's why it's called "Azalea" — yet there are only a dozen or so bushes behind the green that still have blooms. Fans on the course Monday for a practice round posed for pictures in front of one azalea bush whose pink flowers rested on

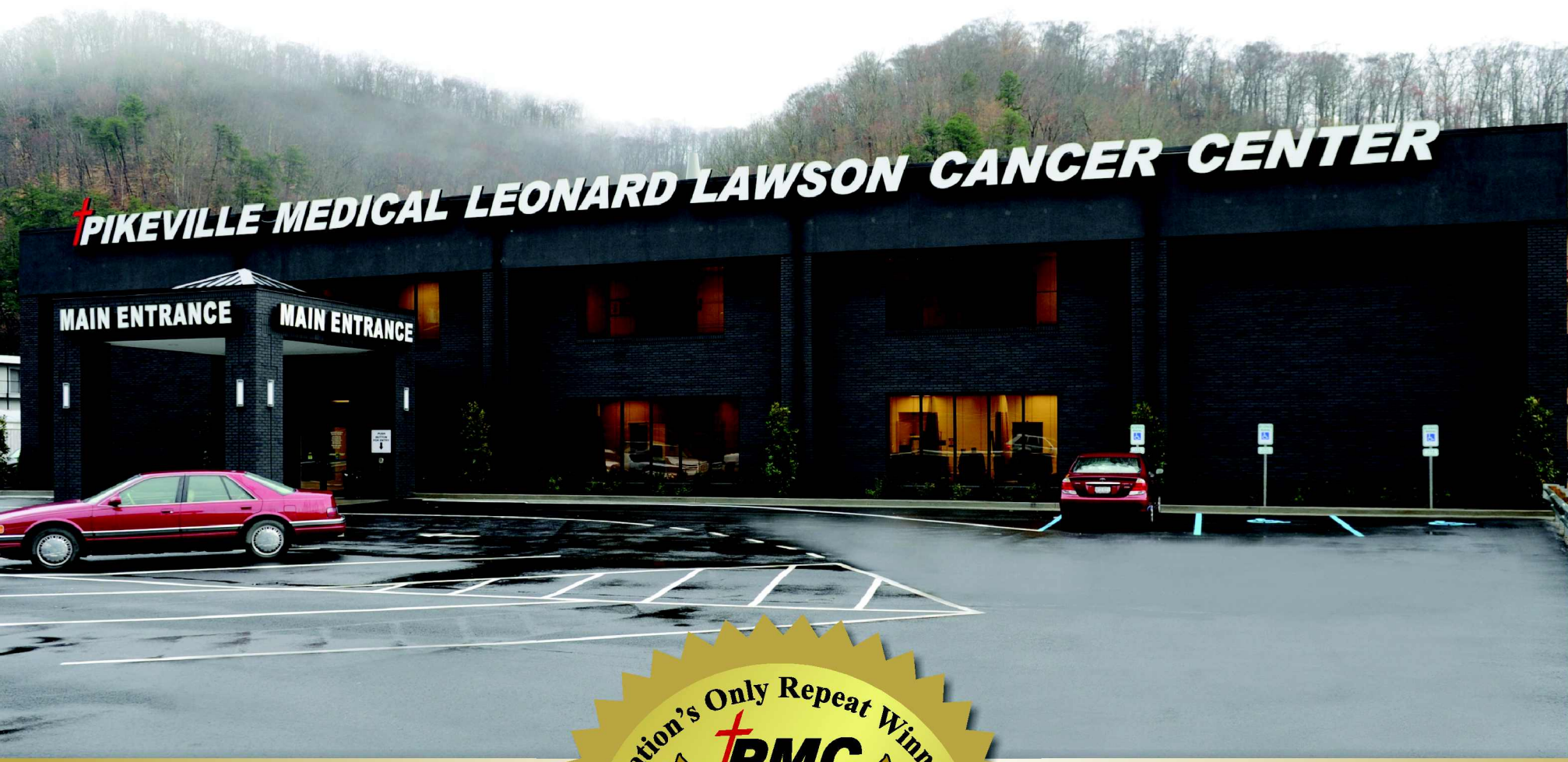
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2007 — Corey Brewer, Florida
2006 — Joakim Noah, Florida
2005 — Sean May, North Carolina
2004 — Emeka Okafor, Connecticut
2003 — Carmelo Anthony, Syracuse
2002 — Juan Dixon, Maryland
2001 — Shane Battier, Duke
2000 — Mateen Cleaves, Michigan State
1999 — Richard Hamilton, Connecticut
1998 — Jeff Sheppard, Kentucky
1997 — Miles Simon, Arizona
1996 — Tony Delk, Kentucky
1995 — Ed O'Bannon, UCLA
1994 — Corliss Williamson, Arkansas
1993 — Donald Williams, North Carolina
1992 — Bobby Hurley, Duke
1991 — Christian Laettner, Duke
1990 — Anderson Hunt, UNLV
1989 — Glen Rice, Michigan
1988 — Danny Manning, Kansas
1987 — Keith Smart, Indiana
1986 — Pervis Ellison, Louisville
1985 — Ed Pinckney, Villanova
1984 — Patrick Ewing, Georgetown
1983 — Akeem Olajuwon, Houston
1982 — James Worthy, North Carolina
1981 — Isiah Thomas, Indiana
1980 — Darrell Griffith, Louisville
1979 — Magic Johnson, Michigan State
1978 — Jack Givens, Kentucky
1977 — Butch Lee, Marquette
1976 — Kent Benson, Indiana
1975 — Richard Washington, UCLA
1974 — David Thompson, North Carolina State
1973 — Bill Walton, UCLA
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1966 — Jerry Chambers, Utah
1965 — Bill Bradley, Princeton
1964 — Walt Hazzard, UCLA
1963 — Art Heyman, Duke
1962 — Paul Hogue, Cincinnati
1961 — Jerry Lucas, Ohio State
1960 — Jerry Lucas, Ohio State
1959 — Jerry West, West Virginia
1958 — Elgin Baylor, Seattle
1957 — Wilt Chamberlain, Kansas
1956 — Hal Lear, Temple
1955 — Bill Russell, San Francisco
1954 — Tom Gola, La Salle
1953 — B.H. Born, Kansas
1952 — Clyde Lovellette, Kansas
1951 — None selected
1950 — Irwin Dambrot, CCNY
1949 — Alex Groza, Kentucky
1948 — Alex Groza, Kentucky
1947 — George Kaftan, Holy Cross
1946 — Bob Kurland, Oklahoma A&M
1945 — Bob Kurland, Oklahoma A&M
1944 — Arnold Ferrin, Utah
1943 — Ken Sailors, Wyoming
1942 — Howie Dallmar, Stanford
1941 — John Kotz, Wisconsin
1940 — Marvin Huffman, Indiana
1939 — None selected
x-subsequently ruled ineligible

Championship scores
2012 — Kentucky 67, Kansas 59
2011 — Connecticut 53, Butler 41
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1995 — UCLA 89, Arkansas 78
1994 — Arkansas 76, Duke 72
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1961 — Cincinnati 70, Ohio State 65, OT
1960 — Ohio State 75, California 55
1959 — California 71, West Virginia 70
1958 — Kentucky 84, Seattle 72
1957 — North Carolina 54, Kansas 53, 3OT
1956 — San Francisco 83, Iowa 71
1955 — San Francisco 77, La Salle 63
1954 — La Salle 92, Bradley 76
1953 — Indiana 69, Kansas 68
1952 — Kansas 80, St. John's 63
1951 — Kentucky 68, Kansas State 58
1950 — CCNY 71, Bradley 68
1949 — Kentucky 46, Oklahoma A&M 36
1948 — Kentucky 58, Baylor 42

The NCAA Final Four All-Tournament Teams
(the first player listed each year was the Final Four most outstanding player; x-vacated):
2012 — Anthony Davis, Kentucky; Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, Kentucky; Thomas Robinson, Kansas; Tyshawn Taylor, Kansas; Doron Lamb, Kentucky.
2011 — Kemba Walker, Connecticut; Jeremy Lamb, Connecticut; Matt Howard, Butler; Shelvin Mack, Butler; Jamie Skeen, VCU.
2010 — Kyle Singler, Duke; Nolan Smith, Duke; Jon Scheyer, Duke; Shelvin Mack, Butler; Gordon Hayward, Butler.
2009 — Wayne Ellington, North Carolina; Ty Lawson, North Carolina; Tyler Hansbrough, North Carolina; Kalin Lucas, Michigan State; Goran Suton, Michigan State.
2008 — Mario Chalmers, Kansas; Darrell Arthur, Kansas; Chris Douglas-Roberts, Memphis; Derrick Rose, Memphis; Brandon Rush, Kansas.
2007 — Corey Brewer, Florida; Mike Conley Jr., Ohio State; Al Horford, Florida; Lee Humphrey, Florida; Greg Oden, Ohio State.
2006 — Joakim Noah, Florida; Corey Brewer, Florida; Taurean Green, Florida; Lee Humphrey, Florida; Jordan Farmer, UCLA.
2005 — Sean May, North Carolina; Raymond Felton, North Carolina; Luther Head, Illinois; Rashad McCants, North Carolina; Deron Williams, Illinois.
2004 — Emeka Okafor, Connecticut; Will Bynum, Georgia Tech; Luke Schenscher, Georgia Tech; Rashad Anderson, Connecticut; Ben Gordon, Connecticut.
2003 — Carmelo Anthony, Syracuse; Gerry McNamara, Syracuse; Nick Collison, Kansas; Kirk Hinrich, Kansas; Keith Langford, Kansas.
2002 — Juan Dixon, Maryland; Lonny Baxter, Maryland; Chris Wilcox, Maryland; Dane Fife, Indiana; Kyle Hornsby, Indiana.
2001 — Shane Battier, Duke; Mike Dunleavy, Duke; Jason Williams, Duke; Richard Jefferson, Arizona; Loren Woods, Arizona.
2000 — Mateen Cleaves, Michigan State; Morris Peterson, Michigan State; Udonis Haslem, Florida; A.J. Granger, Michigan State; Charlie Bell, Michigan State.
1999 — Richard Hamilton, Connecticut; Trajan Langdon, Duke; Elton Brand, Duke; Khalid El-Amin, Connecticut; Ricky Moore, Connecticut.
1998 — Jeff Sheppard, Kentucky; Scott Padgett, Kentucky; Arthur Lee, Stanford; Michael Doleac, Utah; Andre Miller, Utah.
1997 — Miles Simon, Arizona; Mike Bibby, Arizona; Bobby Jackson, Minnesota; Ron Mercer, Kentucky; Scott Padgett, Kentucky.
1996 — Tony Delk, Kentucky; Ron Mercer, Kentucky; John Wallace, Syracuse; Todd Burgan, Syracuse; x-Marcus Camby, Massachusetts.

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Championship winners

In conjunction with Final Four weekend, the Winchester County Club hosted a “Championship Saturday” two-man team, net better ball 18-hole event as part of the club’s official opener. Pictured from left to right are runners-up David Eames and Steve McClure, who shot an 11-under-par 61; tournament winners Cos Rogers and Rodney Clements, who fired a 14-under-par 58; and the third-place finishers Brad Cheuvront and John Stocker, who returned a 10-under-par 62. A total of 24 teams participated in the event. *Photo submitted.*

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he was the only Kentucky player who shot well in last year’s national semifinal loss in Houston. He brought his shot to the Superdome this weekend, too.
“He really carried us,” Wiltjer said. “He made some big shots down the stretch and our depth really helped us tonight because no one really knows who’s going to step up and he stepped up tonight.”

After Kansas (32-7) cut it to 10 midway through the second half, Lamb squared up and hit a pair of 3-pointers in a 23-second span to snap the ‘Cats back after they’d been 3 of 14 from the field with six turnovers to start the second half.
He finished 7 of 12 from the field.

Then it was Teague’s turn. The point guard was considered the key to keeping the Wildcats playing together and followed in the shoes of past Calipari prodigies such as John Wall, Brandon Knight, Derrick Rose and Tyreke Evans. He finished with 14 points, three

assists and two turnovers, making his biggest impact late.

With Kansas closing, Teague buried a 3-pointer from the top of the key with 2:50 left that pushed the lead back to double digits, then hit two free throws inside a minute that helped seal the victory and finish Kentucky’s eighth title run.
“Marquis Teague’s 3 and those two free throws were huge,” Calipari said.

Kentucky also set the tone early.

Kidd-Gilchrist, who had 11 points and six rebounds, went down hard after being fouled by Elijah Johnson just over a minute into the game. He stayed down for a few tense moments, then got up, got to the line and made his first free throw even though his right shoulder was clearly bothering him.

“We don’t stop here,” Kidd-Gilchrist said. “I want to be great.”

Jones, who had nine points and seven rebounds, also had an injury scare when he crumpled to the court in the first half, appearing to badly roll his right ankle. He got up with a limp but stared at the bench with

a look that said there was no way he was coming out of this game.

He was still hobbling at the half, but never asked out because this was the game he wanted to play in when he surprised many by returning for his sophomore year.

“Having that meeting with coach,” Jones said, “trying to come back and win, getting myself better, rewarding myself and my whole team with having a successful season is just a great way to finish.”

The Wildcats never had a more serious injury this season than when Jones missed two games in December with a dislocated left pinkie.

Miller, the senior leader, set a school record with his 152nd appearance early in the first half, and then quietly provided five points and six rebounds in 25 productive minutes.

“I can’t really explain it or put it into words. All the hard work that we put in this year, the sacrifices that people have made on this team means a lot,” Miller said. “We’ve grown as brothers. We’ve had a lot of fun with this.”

MASTERS

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a bed of pine needles.

Not to worry, golf fans. The tournament will manage to go on. The course is still as beautiful as ever, with sunlight filtering through the Georgia pines and not a blade of grass out of place. But it’s not the same. It’s like an actor without makeup. Wrigley Field without ivy. Ian Poulter dressed in white.

“You’re kidding. No flowers?” said Poulter, who arrived Monday dressed head to toe in white. “I can’t believe that.”

It’s not the first time this has happened, and if nothing else, it should put the rumors to rest that Augusta National packs ice on the azaleas to keep them from blooming until Masters week.

Those aren’t the only rumors.

“I always heard they had hot and cold water running through the pipes to control when it blooms,” Jonathan Byrd said.

Byrd added his own piece of color — a pink ribbon on his cap with the letter “K” to celebrate the birth of his daughter, Kate, on Friday. He showed up at the Masters expecting to be asked about his chipping and putting, not jasmine and camellia.

But he understands the significance of flowers at Augusta National, built on the home of a former nursery.

“It’s what everyone thinks about,” he said.

Joanne Taylor was sitting along the ropes on the 13th hole, her toenails painted “Masters green” for the occasion. She drove down for the Monday practice round from Dahlongega in the northern part of the state, where the blooms have come and gone.

“I’ve always heard they keep the azaleas in potted plants in a greenhouse, then brought them out for the Masters,” she said. Ah, another rumor proved untrue.

Davis MOP

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Kentucky’s Anthony Davis has been selected the Most Outstanding Player at the Final Four after dominating defensively in Monday night’s NCAA title game.

The freshman forward had a rough night on offense, scoring six points on 1-of-10 shooting. He made up for it with defense, tying

a championship game record with six blocked shots and altering several others in Kentucky’s 67-59 win over Kansas.


Davis, who set an NCAA freshman record with 186 blocked shots this season, helped Kentucky hold the Jayhawks to 35 percent shooting. He also had 16 rebounds, five assists and three steals in leading Kentucky to its eighth national title.


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CONTACT BRIDGE BY STEVEN BECKER

The Infernal Optimist

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A
♥ 3 2
♦ A K Q 10 4
♣ K 10 8 2

WEST
♠ Q J 10 7 4
♥ J 8 6
♦ 7 5
♣ Q 7 4

EAST
♠ K 8 3
♥ K 10 7 5
♦ J 9 8 3 2
♣ 6

SOUTH
♠ 9 6 5 2
♥ A Q 4
♦ 6
♣ A J 9 5 3

The bidding:
North 1♣
1♦
4♦
4 NT
5 NT
East 2♣
Pass
4♥
Pass
Pass
South 2♥
4♥
5♥
Pass
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West Pass
Pass
Pass
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Pass

Opening lead — queen of spades.

Optimism is a required trait in bridge; why else would one be advised to open the bidding — and thereby bid for more than half the tricks — when holding less than one-third of the honor cards?

But while optimism is necessary for consistent success, it must be tempered with a degree of pessimism. To blindly assume that everything will always go well is sure to cost many points that could have been saved over a period of time.

Take this case, for example. After

the dummy came down, South thought he would make six clubs in a walk. Indeed, if the trumps were divided 2-2 and the diamonds 4-3, he would score all 13 tricks.

So, without giving the matter further thought, he won the spade lead and cashed the K-A of clubs. When clubs failed to break, South carried on with his initial plan — discard two hearts on dummy's diamonds, ruff a diamond to establish dummy's fifth card in the suit and eventually ruff two spades in dummy and discard another on the good diamond.

But when he played the A-K-Q of diamonds, discarding the 4-Q of hearts, West ruffed the third diamond and returned a spade. Declarer ruffed in dummy, but, with the diamonds breaking 5-2, he could not avoid losing a spade at the end for down one.

Once South discovered that he had a trump loser, he should have taken the time to reformulate his initial plan, which would no longer work if the diamonds failed to behave. There was nothing wrong with playing the A-K-Q of diamonds, but rather than discarding two hearts, he should have kept the queen of hearts and discarded a spade instead.

This would have allowed him to keep the heart finesse in reserve in case the diamonds didn't break, and when East later turned up with the heart king, the slam would still have been made.

Tomorrow: 'Tis better to receive than to give.

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Monday's unlisted clue: LIMA

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Tuesday's unlisted clue hint: WESTERN STAR — MIX

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ACROSS

42 Looks after

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DOWN

1 Almanac fill

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3 Stop-watch

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5 Loathe

6 Mail business

7 That lady

8 Like a short film

9 Rated gold

10 Some mail

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27 Historic times

28 Sizzling

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30 Sewer entry

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37 Is remembered

40 Singer Cara

41 Kitchen cooker

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22 One and the other

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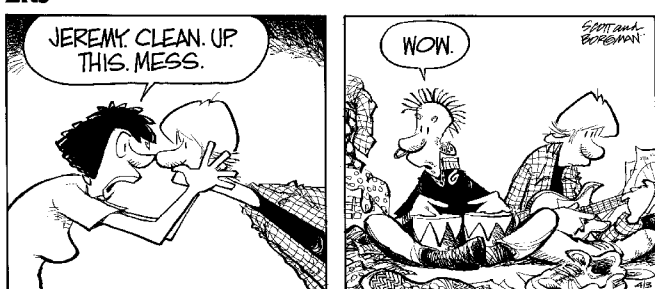
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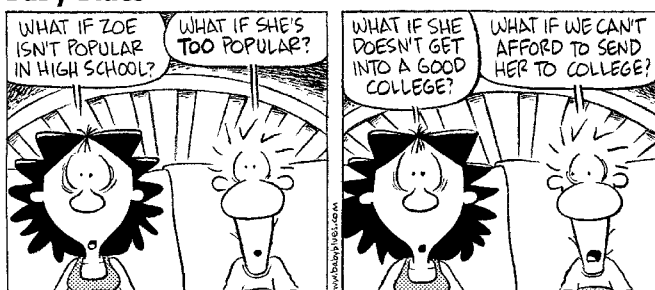
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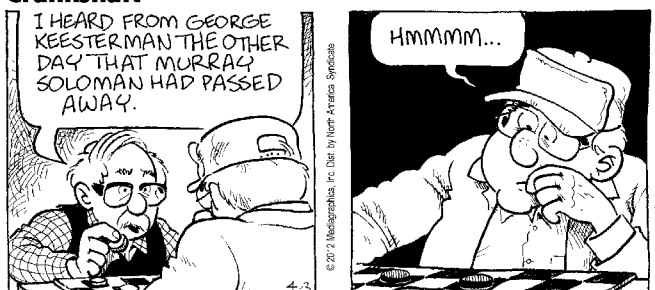
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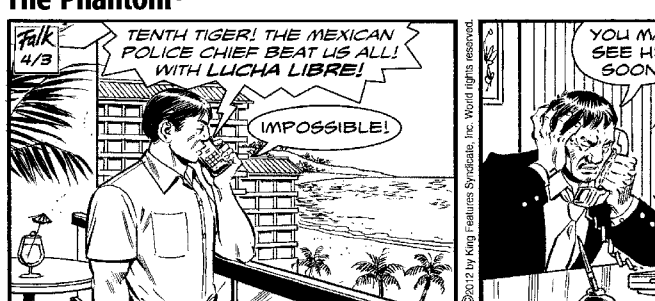
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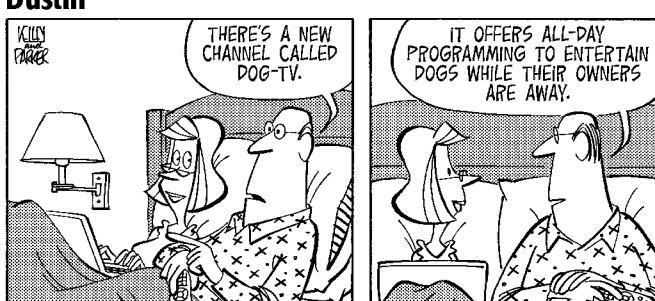
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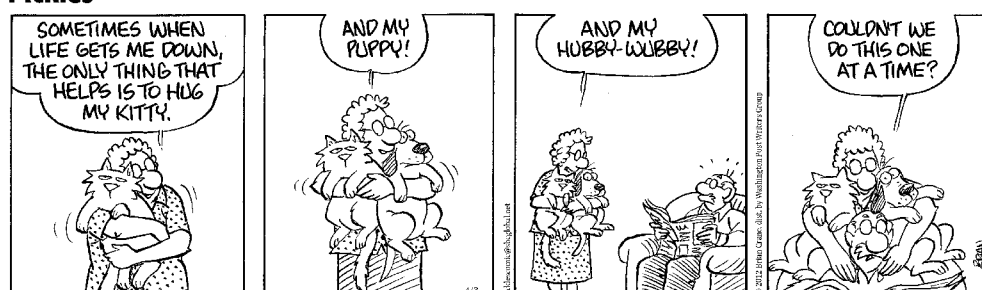
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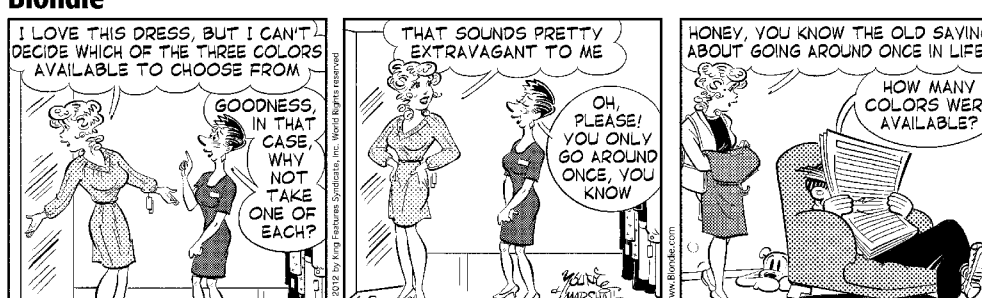
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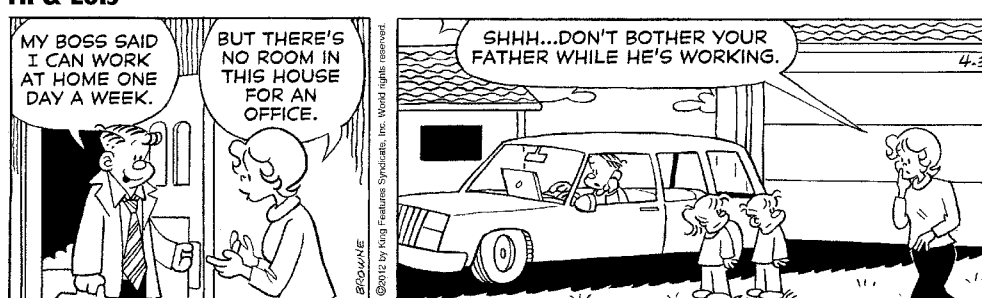
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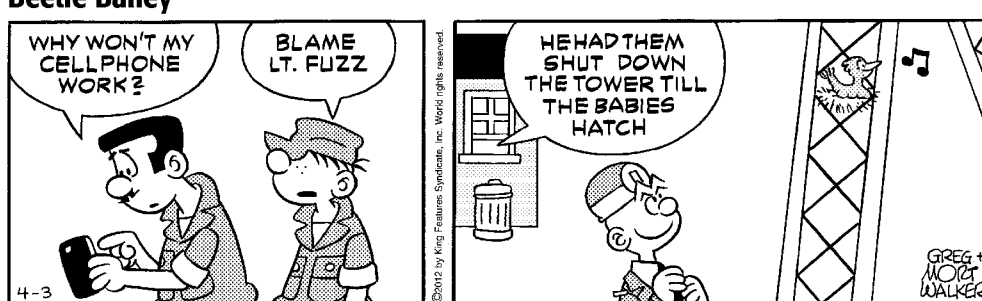
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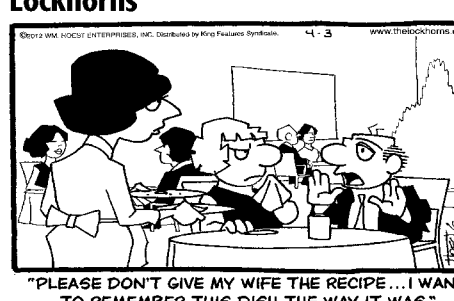
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, April 3, 2012:

Curb a tendency to focus on petty issues and to get caught up in them. Use your ability of critical discernment to improve the quality of your work, writing, projects and interactions. Know that perfection is not a goal to be desired, and accept your humanness. If you are single, you could meet someone with ease after spring. You might choose someone different in a few years, so don't commit too fast. If you are attached, do not criticize your sweetie. You simply are in an overly critical phase. VIRGO can work well with your creative needs.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Curb your desire to prove yourself through finances and concrete results. Once in a while, with certain interpersonal relationships, this aspiration can only help. In the outside world, it could start a competitiveness that might become very uncomfortable for everyone involved. Rethink your approach. Tonight: Reveal your fiery side.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★ You might have difficulty understanding some of the basics surrounding an important issue. If you detach, you will grasp the implications of a potential decision. Make a judgment from a solid base. You still might opt to head in that direction, but with more knowledge. Tonight: Brainstorm with a friend over munchies.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ Venus moves into your sign and

graces you with gentleness and a newfound optimism. These traits will stay with you for a little while. Keep your eye on a very important project. If this idea really is heartfelt, follow through. Prioritize, and you will not go wrong. Be careful with a fiery family member or roommate. Tonight: At home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Express yourself clearly. You might notice that someone can be hurtful. It is more likely that you are oversensitive to this type of behavior. Keep communication flowing. Return calls, and do not isolate yourself. Tonight: Be a little more skeptical when meeting someone new.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ A friend is a source of good news. Do not allow yourself to take a risk, even if this person believes it is a sure bet. Confusion surrounds finances and joint partnerships. Slow down, and you'll make better decisions. Tonight: Balance your checkbook.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You become revitalized. A boss or parent will notice your vibrancy. When asked if you want to join a common cause or project, don't hesitate, but discuss where you might be reticent. Those you must respect or impress like what they see. Tonight: As you like.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★ You wake up with a strong game plan, only to see it quickly dissolve. This encourages you to demonstrate flexibility and consideration for others. The choices you make now will reflect who you are, more so than with most other situations. Tonight: Take some much-needed downtime.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You have been very aware of the politics of a decision. At this point, you decide which way to go — the winning side. A partner chimes in with agreement. Do not react to a pushy friend. Let it be. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You might try to understand what someone is really saying, or the reasoning behind his or her statements. Think positively, yet be aware of a tendency to fall for deception at this time in your life. Tonight: Stay detached.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Think much and say little. You might be making too big a deal about a situation or conversation. Pull back some and see what evolves. Stay as neutral as possible; your words easily could be misinterpreted. Tonight: Indulge a little. Meet a friend after work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Deal directly with someone regarding an issue that involves you. You could see many issues arise that you thought were settled. Use caution if money is involved. Mistakes easily could occur. Tonight: Chat with a friend over a favorite meal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Others seem to need you, whether it is your feedback, moral support or simply an offer to pitch in. When you feel overwhelmed by everything you need to accomplish, say "no." Tonight: Go with someone else's suggestion.

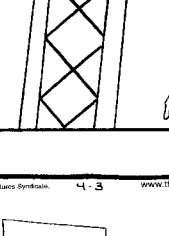
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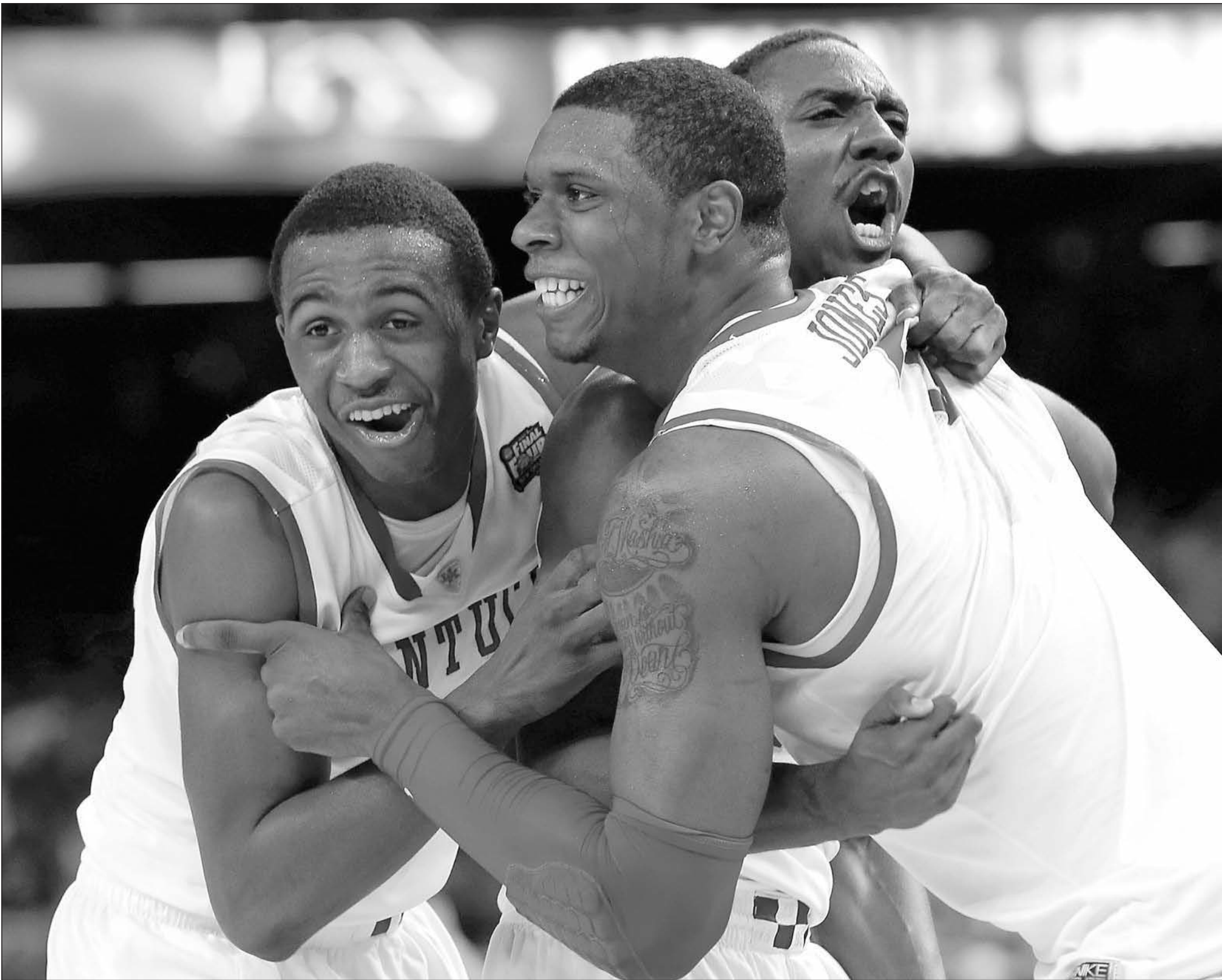
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Doron Lamb, left, Terrence Jones, center and Marquis Teague celebrate after Kentucky defeated Kansas 67-59 in the national championship game Monday. Lamb and Jones returned after helping the Wildcats reach the Final Four last season, and Teague was one of four freshmen who helped them achieve this title.

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MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Wildcats stick together to complete year-long championship quest

NEW ORLEANS — Kentucky's year-long national championship quest is over.

Not only did the Wildcats win 38 games, go unbeaten in Southeastern Conference in the regular season and lose just twice all season — a buzzer-beater at Indiana that led to fans storming the court and a rare final four-minute scoring collapse against Vanderbilt in the SEC tournament — but thanks to a 67-59 victory over Kansas in the National championship game, they finished what every player on the roster had been working on since last April.

Sophomores Doron Lamb and Terrence Jones turned down chances to go to the NBA a year ago to be part of a national championship team, and they loved giving coach John Calipari his first title.

"Coach is coach and helped so many people and has changed so many lives," Jones said. "He is a good coach and a good person. If we lose, he tries to take all the blame. If we win, he gives us all the credit. That's why he deserved this more than anybody and I am so glad I came back to be part of giving it to him."

Lamb said players openly talked all summer about winning the championship, one reason pressure did not bother the team all season.

"Before the season started, everybody expected us to win every game, and we wanted to really do this," Lamb said. "We had to deal with pressure and expectations all season. We didn't brush that off because we wanted to win the whole thing."

Freshmen Marquis Teague, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, Anthony Davis

and Kyle Wiltjer all started talking about winning a national title — and going undefeated — when they were playing in high school all-star games after their senior seasons ended.

"It was a great year for us. We have seven starters who all decided from day one to be unselfish and take this thing as far as we could. We've had a lot of fun," Teague said. "Coach Cal told us whether we won or lost the national title we had a great year, but we wanted a championship."

"We are all unselfish and we trust each other. We know if we gave somebody the ball in position to make a play, they would make a play. But the biggest thing is we just trusted each other and knew we could do this."

It looked like winning Kentucky's eighth national championship might be a lot easier than it ended up Monday night.

Kentucky was magnificent in the first half and built a 39-21 lead with 2 minutes, 52 seconds left. However, not only did Kansas cut the margin to 41-27 at halftime, but national player of the year Anthony Davis got his second foul. Still, with the Wildcats leading 59-44 with only 5:13 to play, it looked like Calipari's team could coast to the title.

Wrong. Kansas trimmed the lead to 62-57 with 1:37 left, and every Kentucky fan in the Superdome — plus everyone watching on television — had to be taking a big gulp and worrying that this team might left its legacy slip away.

"We never doubted," guard Darius Miller said. "We knew we would be fine."

And they were. Jones hustled to save a turnover



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that Davis converted into a free throw. Kidd-Gilchrist blocked Tyshawn Taylor's reverse layup and Teague made two free throws for a 65-57 lead with 53.9 seconds left, and the party was ready to start.

When the final horn finally sounded, there was Jones hugging Kidd-Gilchrist. Davis gave assistant coach Kenny Payne a huge bear hug. Calipari hugged anyone who would let him.

"I am happy for our players and I am happy for our fans. This is a great thing for our school and our state," Calipari said.

As he has all season, Calipari gave the players all the credit. He constantly insisted during the NCAA tournament that it was about them, not him winning his first national title. That didn't change after this game.

"Coach was happy, but he said it was the players who won the title, not him," forward Eloy Vargas said. "He was not that different than any other game really."

Calipari joked he was ready to go "back to the hotel and go to bed" — something that certainly wasn't going to happen with family, friends and UK fans waiting at the hotel and a massive Rupp Arena celebration planned when the team arrives back home today to deliver the championship trophy that UK fans live to have.

This game was a perfect example of why Calipari's team was so hard to beat.

Kentucky was just 7 for 26 from the field the second half. Davis was just 1 for 10 from the field in the

game and didn't score the first half. But it didn't matter. Not on this team of unselfish players who prided themselves on always finding a way to win.

Lamb was spectacular, going over the 1,000-point mark in his career by pouring in 22 points on 7-of-12 shooting. When Kentucky needed a key second-half shot, he hit it. Teague was only 5 for 14 from the field but had 14 points and three assists.

Jones had just nine points and seven rebounds, but he played as hard and with as much effort for 29 minutes as he has at any time in his career. He blocked two shots, got a steal and helped harass Kansas star Thomas Robinson into going 6 for 17 from the field.

Then there was Davis. How many players can change a game without scoring? Not many. But Davis did with 16 rebounds, five assists, six blocks and three steals. He intimidated the Jayhawks — one big reason Kansas shot just 35.5 percent from the field.

Davis insisted after the game he would not make a decision about his future until sitting down with Calipari and his parents later this month. But he's gone to the NBA, where he will be the No. 1 pick after a season in which he led UK in scoring, rebounding, blocked shots and steals. He did it all, and never cared about anything but winning.

"It doesn't matter if I don't score. If we win, that's all that counts," Davis said.

"We tried to take it to 'em. We tried to force help. The second half, shots he blocked, the majority went out of bounds, which is OK," Kansas coach Bill Self said. "He is an unbeliev-

able factor on both ends, but certainly defensively he's got timing, his first jump is unbelievable, and he's a very smart defender as well."

He's also a great teammate, and that was a major reason this team was so unselfish and cared so much about each other. Kidd-Gilchrist was the same way. So was Miller. Actually, they were all that way.

That's why they were giddy on the podium while receiving the national championship trophy, but a lot happier when they got to go up into the stands to see family members.

Jones didn't want to let go of the trophy he came back to Kentucky to win, but he gladly gave it up to go hug his mother, aunt and grandmother. "I couldn't wait to get up there to see them," he said. "They mean everything to me."

Kidd-Gilchrist's mother, Cynthia Richardson, was on the court after the game taking pictures and smiling as she watched her son on the podium.

"This is what we came to Kentucky for. We really believed this could happen, and it did. I am so proud of him," Richardson said.

Calipari didn't show a lot of emotion, but he didn't hide his feelings for this team that had been ranked No. 1 most of the season yet had heard time after time that a team built on one-and-done players that depended on freshmen couldn't win a title. Maybe that had been true, but the Wildcats busted that myth for good with his win.

"Listen, this team deserves all the accolades that they've been getting. And what I wanted them to show today is that we

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On the cover

Kentucky players celebrate the program's eighth national title following the Wildcats' 67-59 victory over Kansas on Monday.

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were not just a talented team, we were a defensive team, and we were a team that shared the ball," Calipari said. "I wanted everybody to see it because it became, 'They're more talented than everybody.'"

"We were the best team this season. We were the best team. The most efficient team. We shared the ball. I've wanted that. I told them I wanted this to be one for the ages. Go out there and show everyone what kind of team you are, even though we were young. It doesn't matter how young you are, it's how you play together."

And this season, no one played together better than Kentucky.

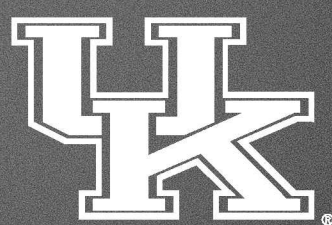
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Kentucky guard Marquis Teague (25) drives to the basket against Kansas guard Elijah Johnson during the first half of the national championship game. The Wildcats were in front from start to finish Monday, leading by as many as 18 points. "I wanted everybody to see, we were the best team this season," coach John Calipari said.

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'THE BEST TEAM'

Talent leads to title as Kentucky tops Kansas 67-59 for eighth crown

By **EDDIE PELLIS**

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NEW ORLEANS — Won and Done, indeed. Maybe even Over and Out.

All that really matters is that Kentucky parlayed a roster full of NBA talent into a 67-59 victory Monday night over Kansas for the team's eighth national NCAA basketball title — its first since 1998.

Kentucky's top freshman, Anthony Davis, had a rough shooting night, but John Calipari coached this team to a wire-to-wire victory — a little dicey at the end — to cap a season that cried for no less than a championship for their ol' Kentucky home.

"I wanted everybody to see, we were the best team this season," said the coach who finally has the championship that eluded him for all these years. "We were the best team. I wanted this to be one for the ages."

Doron Lamb, a sophomore with first-round-draft-pick possibilities, led the Wildcats (38-2) with 22 points, including back-to-back 3-pointers that put them up by 16 with 10 minutes left.

The Jayhawks (32-7), kings of the comeback all season, fought to the finish and trimmed that deficit to five with 1:37 left. But Kentucky made five free throws down the stretch to seal the win.

Davis' fellow lottery prospect, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, was another headliner, creating space for himself to score all 11 of his points in the first half.

Davis, meanwhile, might have had the most dominating six-point night in the history of college basketball, earning the nod as the most outstanding player. He finished with 16 rebounds, six blocks, five assists and three steals — and made his only field goal with 5:13 left in the game. It was a surefire illustration of how the 6-foot-10 freshman can exert his will on a game even on a rare night when the shot isn't falling.

"Well, it's not me, it's these guys behind me," Davis said after his 1-for-10 performance. "They led us this whole tournament. This whole game I was struggling offensively, and I told my team, every time down, you all score the ball; I'm just gonna defend and rebound."

So much easier when you've got teammates like this. Davis is the likely first pick in the draft, though he said he hasn't decided yet whether he will come out, and Kidd-Gilchrist won't be far behind. Another first-round prospect, freshman Marquis Teague, had 14 points. And yet another, sophomore Terrence Jones, had nine points, seven rebounds and two of Kentucky's 11 blocked shots.

"I love the fact AD goes 1 for 10, and you all say he was biggest factor of game," Calipari said. "He was 1 for 10. I asked these guys what they would do without scoring. You have an idea what he does."

Kansas also has a lottery pick in AP All-American Thomas Robinson. He was harassed all night by Davis and Jones and finished with 18 points and 17 rebounds on a 6-for-17 shooting night. He left upset, though not overly impressed with Davis, who he'll certainly see in "the association" over the next several years.

"He's not Superman," Robinson said. "He's just a

CAT STATS

KENTUCKY 67, KANSAS 59												
	FG	FT	Reb									
Kansas	Min	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	Pts					
Robinson	36	6-17	6-7	5-17	1	2	18					
Withney	32	2-8	1-1	3-7	1	2	5					
Taylor	36	8-17	2-3	1-4	3	1	19					
Johnson	36	5-13	0-0	1-2	2	1	13					
Releford	30	1-6	1-2	0-1	1	5	4					
Teahan	17	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0					
Wesley	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0					
Young	11	0-0	0-2	0-3	0	4	0					
Totals	200	22-62	10-15	11-35	9	16	59					
Percentages: FG .355, FT .667.												
3-Point Goals: 5-11, .455 (Johnson 3-7, Taylor 1-1, Releford 1-2, Teahan 0-1).												
Team Rebounds: 1.												
Blocked Shots: 5 (Withney 4, Young).												
Turnovers: 9 (Taylor 5, Johnson 2, Robinson, Withney).												
Steals: 6 (Withney 2, Johnson, Releford, Teahan, Taylor).												
Technical Fouls: None.												

Kentucky	Min	FG	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	PF	Pts
Jones	29	4-7	1-2	1-7	0	4	9	
Davis	36	1-10	4-6	4-16	5	2	6	
Kidd-Gilchrist	35	4-7	3-4	2-6	1	2	11	
Lamb	35	7-12	5-6	1-2	3	2	22	
Teague	34	5-14	2-3	1-2	3	2	14	
Miller	25	2-5	0-0	1-6	0	2	5	
Vargas	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	
Wiltjer	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	
Totals	200	23-56	15-21	12-43	12	15	67	
Percentages: FG .411, FT .714.								
3-Point Goals: 6-14, .429 (Lamb 3-6, Teague 2-3, Miller 1-2, Jones 0-1, Wiltjer 0-1, Kidd-Gilchrist 0-1).								
Team Rebounds: 4.								
Blocked Shots: 11 (Davis 6, Miller 2, Jones 2, Kidd-Gilchrist).								
Turnovers: 11 (Davis 3, Jones 2, Teague 2, Miller 2, Kidd-Gilchrist, Lamb).								
Steals: 4 (Davis 3, Jones).								
Technical Fouls: None.								

Kansas	27	32	—	59
Kentucky	41	26	—	67
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great player. I don't mean to be disrespectful by it, but as a competitor I'm not going to sit here and give all my praise to someone I go up against."

The Jayhawks won the "B" League this year, as Calipari avenged a final-game loss to Bill Self back in 2008 when Cal was coaching the Tigers. Memphis missed four free throws in blowing a nine-point lead in that one. Kansas didn't get any such help this time.

Even so, it wasn't a bad

season in Lawrence, considering where KU began.

Kansas lost four of its top five scorers off last year's roster. There were times early in the season when Self and his old buddy and mentor, Larry Brown, would stand around at practices and wonder if this was a team that could even make the tournament. It did. Won its eighth straight conference title, too.

"Nobody even expected us to be here in the first place, for us to have a great season," KU guard Travis Releford said. "And we did. We were able to compete for a championship. We had a great year."

None of this, however, was for the faint of heart. The Jayhawks trailed by double digits in three of their five tournament games leading to the final and played every game down to the wire. They fell behind by 18 late in the first half of this one and this time, there was no big comeback to be made; not against these guys.

"We knew coming in that we had been in situations like that before," Releford said. "We played like that all year. We figured we'd come out in the second half and run how we did. It just wasn't good enough."

Davis realized early this was no shoot-first night for him at the Superdome, and Calipari all but told him to cool it at halftime.

"I said, 'Listen to me, don't you go out there and try to score,'" the coach said.

Davis listened. Sporting his near-unibrow, which the UK Wildcat mascot also decided to paste on, he endured the worst shooting night of a short college career in which he makes 64 percent. No big deal. He set the tone early on

defense, swatting Robinson's shot twice, grabbing rebounds, making pretty bounce passes for assists.

Early in the second half, he made a steal that also could have been an assist, knocking the ball out of Robinson's hands and directly to Jones, who dunked for a 46-30 lead.

Then, finally. With 5:13 left in the game, he spotted up for a 15-foot jumper from the baseline that swished for a 59-44 lead, putting a dagger in one of Kansas' many comebacks.

"He was terrific," Self said. "The basket he made was one of the biggest baskets of the game."

The crowd, a little more full of Kentucky fans than Kansas, went crazy. If this guy only stays one year and only makes one shot, they're fine with that.

It's the new normal at Kentucky, where Adolph Rupp set a standard, Rick Pitino lived up to it for a while, then Calipari — hardly the buttoned-down type — was hired to bring back the glory.

He goes for the best player, no matter what their long-term goals.

Normally, the prospect of losing all those players in one swoop would have people thinking about a tough rebuilding year.

But Cal has mastered the art of rebuilding on the fly.

He's the coach who brings in the John Walls, Brandon Knights and Derrick Roses (at Memphis) for cups of coffee, lets them sharpen up their resumes, then happily says goodbye when it becomes obvious there's nothing left for them to do in school.

Last year, the formula resulted in a trip to the Final

Four that ended with a crushing loss to Connecticut in the semifinals.

This year, Davis and Kidd-Gilchrist came to Lexington with big-time bona-fides, and they didn't disappoint. Kentucky lost only twice all season — once on a buzzer-beater at Indiana, the second time last month in the SEC tournament title game to Vanderbilt, in the arena across the way from the Superdome.

The trip to New Orleans might have been, as Calipari put it, just what the doctor ordered for a team that could sometimes border on arrogance.

They rebounded nicely for the real tournament, and through it all, the coach refused to apologize for the way he recruits or how he runs his program. Just playing by the rules as they're set up, he says, even if he doesn't totally agree with them. Because he refuses to promise minutes or shots to any recruit and demands teamwork out of all of them, he says he comes by these players honestly.

He has produced nine first-round picks in the last four drafts with a few more coming. This latest group will have an NCAA title in tow and the everlasting love of a fan base that bleeds basketball.

When it was over, all that Kentucky talent ran to the corner of the court, got in a group huddle and jumped up and down like the kids they really are. Will Calipari coach any of them again?

"What I'm hoping is there are six first-rounders on this team," the coach said. "I'm fine with that. That's why I've got to go recruiting on Friday."

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Davis dominates even without scoring

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NEW ORLEANS — It was no surprise to Terrence Jones that teammate Anthony Davis tied an NCAA tournament championship game record by blocking six shots against Kansas on Monday.

“That’s one of the best parts of his game, his defense. He can do that without having the ball. It’s just great having him on defense for us. He helped us out big tonight,” Jones said after the 69-57 win that gave the Wildcats their first national championship since 1998.

Davis also set a single-season blocked shot record by a freshman by increasing his total to 186, the best in the nation this year. That was a huge reason Kentucky also led the nation in field-goal percentage defense and limited Kansas to just 35.5 percent shooting.

“I told my teammates I was going to defense. I let my teammates do all the scoring and I just focused on defending,” said Davis, who had six points and failed to score in double figures for just the eighth time in 40 games.

Davis credited Kansas center Jeff Withey for making him struggle. He missed nine of 10 shots and did not score in the first half.

“He was great defensively and I struggled, so I just didn’t try to force shots,” he said. “I have to give credit to my team. Everybody is talking about me, but it was my teammates. Without them I would not have been able to get any of this praise. All the credit goes to them tonight.”

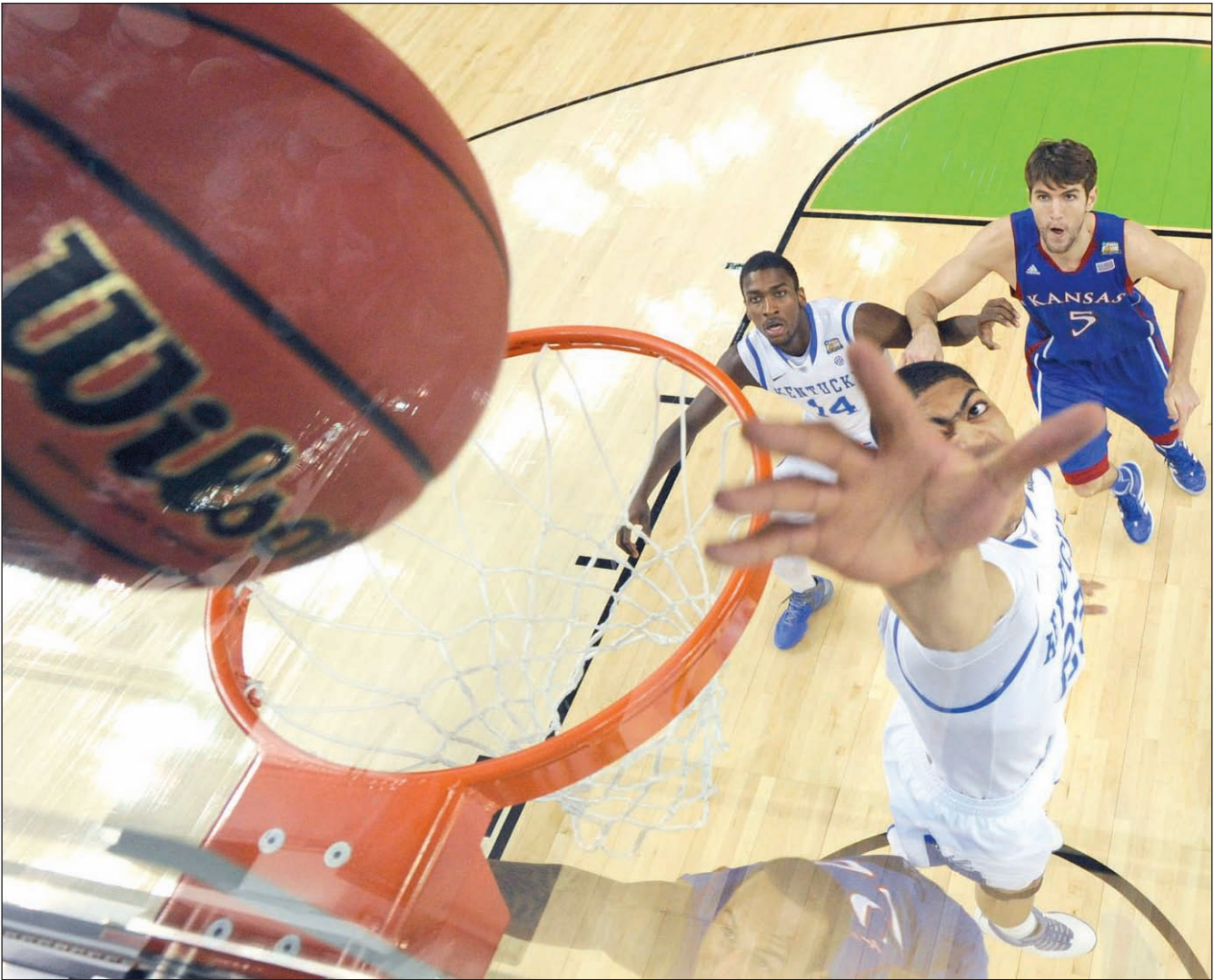
Others were a little more lavish in their praise of Davis, who had the rare game where he was a dominating factor without scoring. He also had 16 rebounds — his second best total — along with five steals and three assists to go with his six points and six blocks.

“He is highly efficient. He doesn’t force things. He is very, very efficient. Gets to the free throw line and has a nice touch. His poise is remarkable for a first-year guy. He just never seems to get flustered. He has been well within himself,” CBS-TV analyst Clark Kellogg said. “I typically don’t watch kids prior to college because I don’t want to be tainted by what they were. I want to watch them when they get to college.”

“I had heard and read about him, but I had not seen him at all. It was a revelation to me, but it was a pleasant surprise that he has grown as much as he has in a short period of time. You can see he possesses a smaller guy’s skills with the big guy shot blocking. That is a lethal combination.”

Another CBS analyst, Greg Anthony, says Davis is a “phenomenal” shot blocker and “unique talent” unlike any other player in college basketball because of the versatility he showed against Kansas.

“I think with Davis that best way to attack him is go right at him and attack at rim. The only weakness he may have is that he does not have a lot of lower body strength and leverage. If you try to face him and shoot, he can extend out and block shots. Then he runs to the rim in transition both ways. He’s just a load even if he’s not scoring,” analyst Steve



Anthony Davis (23) leaps for a rebound over Kentucky teammate Michael Kidd-Gilchrist and Kansas center Jeff Withey during the first half Monday. Davis had 16 rebounds, becoming the first Kentucky player with that many rebounds in an NCAA tournament game since Jim Andrews in 1972.

Kerr said.

Davis led Kentucky in scoring (14.3 points per game), rebounding (10.3 rebounds per game), steals (54), blocked shots (186) and field goal percentage (.623). He also hit 71 percent at the foul line and had just 41 turnovers in 40 games.

“I knew Anthony would be this good,” fellow Kentucky freshman Michael Kidd-Gilchrist said. “We both love to win. Both me and him. He is so long, too. I wanted to have a great

season with these guys and knew Anthony would be the big reason why.”

Eloy Vargas certainly knew how to evaluate what kind of player Davis would be. Vargas, a senior, practiced against DeMarcus Cousins, a lottery pick, two years ago. He went against Enes Kanter, a lottery pick, some last season before Kanter was deemed ineligible and then also went against Josh Harrellson, a second-round draft pick. And he’s seen plenty of Davis this season.

“They are different in different ways,” Vargas said. “Anthony is long and blocks shots. Enes was a big dude working the paint. Josh and DeMarcus were physical. They all had different game and it’s kind of tough to say who is the best. They have all helped me and I know Anthony is the hardest worker of them all. Sometimes he would come into the gym late at night and I would see him working out, too.

“He got a lot more ag-

gressive as the season went on. At the beginning of the season, he was not taking enough shots. But at the end, he wanted the ball.”

Vargas says UK fans didn’t get to see Davis’ real personality often because he was so calm and mild-mannered on the court no matter what happened.

“He is a funny dude, too, but not all the time. Behind the scenes he is pretty fun when fans can’t see him. Come game time, he has his game face on and just plays,” Vargas said.

Davis dazzles once more in likely college finale

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NEW ORLEANS — A few weeks ago, Kentucky coach John Calipari asked his players how they helped the team when they weren’t scoring.

Anthony Davis shared his answer with the entire country.

The player of the year was simply sublime in a 67-59 victory over Kansas on Monday night that gave the Wildcats their eighth national title. Ignore that 1-for-10 scoring line, his ugliest of the season. Davis tied Joakim Noah’s individual record for blocks in the NCAA championship game with six, grabbed 16 rebounds, had five assists and three steals.

If this was the last college game for the freshman, widely expected to be the No. 1 pick in this summer’s NBA draft, it was a heck of a way to go out.

“He’s terrific,” Kansas coach Bill Self said. “He just impacts the game so much with his length, and he’s so quick. ... He is an unbelievable factor on both ends.”

As the final seconds ticked down, cheers of “M-V-P! M-V-P!” echoed throughout the arena. Sure enough, to the surprise of no one, Davis was selected the Most Outstanding Player.

“It’s a great way” to go out,” Davis said. “(But) like I said before, I’m going to wait until April 29th and decide what I’m going to do then, sit down with my coach and my family and see what is the best decision for me.”

Davis has loomed large all season and not simply because he’s 6-foot-10 with a wingspan of a Piper Cub. A guard until a growth spurt, he still has that sweet shot

and sixth sense of a smaller player. Despite playing at a Chicago high school that didn’t even have its own gym, Davis seems born for the big stage and bright lights. The 19-year-old plays with the poise and composure of someone a decade older, and he seems completely devoid of any ego.

Having already played Kansas earlier this season, he wasted no time reminding the Jayhawks of what they were in for, crowding Thomas Robinson on the Jayhawks’ first few possessions and disrupting the All-American’s shots. Kansas center Jeff Withey, a shot-blocking machine himself, looked like a high school kid beside Davis.

Though his shots weren’t falling, Davis made sure they did for his teammates, setting them up with quick passes that never missed the mark.

“It’s not hard to take a backseat, especially playing with a great group of guys,” Davis said. “I knew I was struggling. So I told them, ‘I’m going to defend and rebound. You all make all the points.’ That’s what they did tonight.”

But it takes more than a big game to be a star at the next level, and Davis is showing he’s got that covered, too.

Quiet and humble all season — he’s gone out of his way to make sure his teammates weren’t overlooked with all his player of the year awards, even singling out point guard Marquis Teague when he accepted The Associated Press player of the year trophy Friday — he’s blossomed on the game’s biggest stage. Rather than being tight or nervous, he’s looked at ease in the spotlight, revealing a charming

personality.

Grabbing a national champions T-shirt and hat with “NO-1 Greater” on the front after the game, Davis quickly put them on and strolled over to the Kentucky fans, pointing at the court as he did Saturday night.

While he and the rest of the Wildcats were on the podium for the trophy presentation, Davis repeatedly turned to the Kentucky cheering section, waving his long arms and urging fans to show the Wildcats even more love.

And when Calipari took a little dig at his prized phenom’s shooting struggles, Davis played right along.

“Before we left the locker room (at halftime), I said, ‘Listen to me, don’t you now go out there and try to score. If you have opportunities, score the ball. If you don’t, don’t worry about it. You were the best player in building, so don’t worry,’” Calipari said. “Then he went out and shot the first three balls.”

“I was open,” Davis chimed in.

“I know why you were open. You were 1 for 10. They were leaving you open,” Calipari said as Davis grinned.

But as Davis showed Monday night, he doesn’t need to score to dominate a game. Even Robinson had to grudgingly admit that.

“I still don’t think he’s Superman,” Robinson said. “I don’t mean to be disrespectful by it, but as a competitor I’m not going to sit here and give all my praise to someone I go up against. Like I say, Anthony is a great player. You see he impacted the game without even scoring today. That’s just what he do.”

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Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, left, celebrates in front of Kansas' Tyshawn Taylor at the end of Kentucky's 67-59 victory in the NCAA championship game Monday in New Orleans.

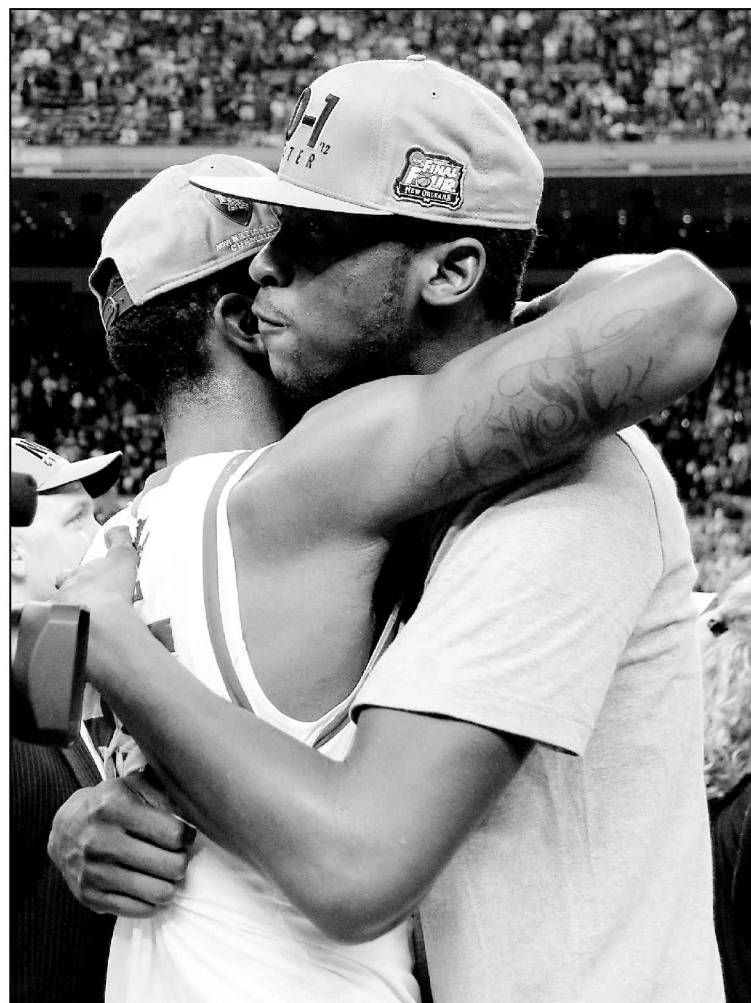
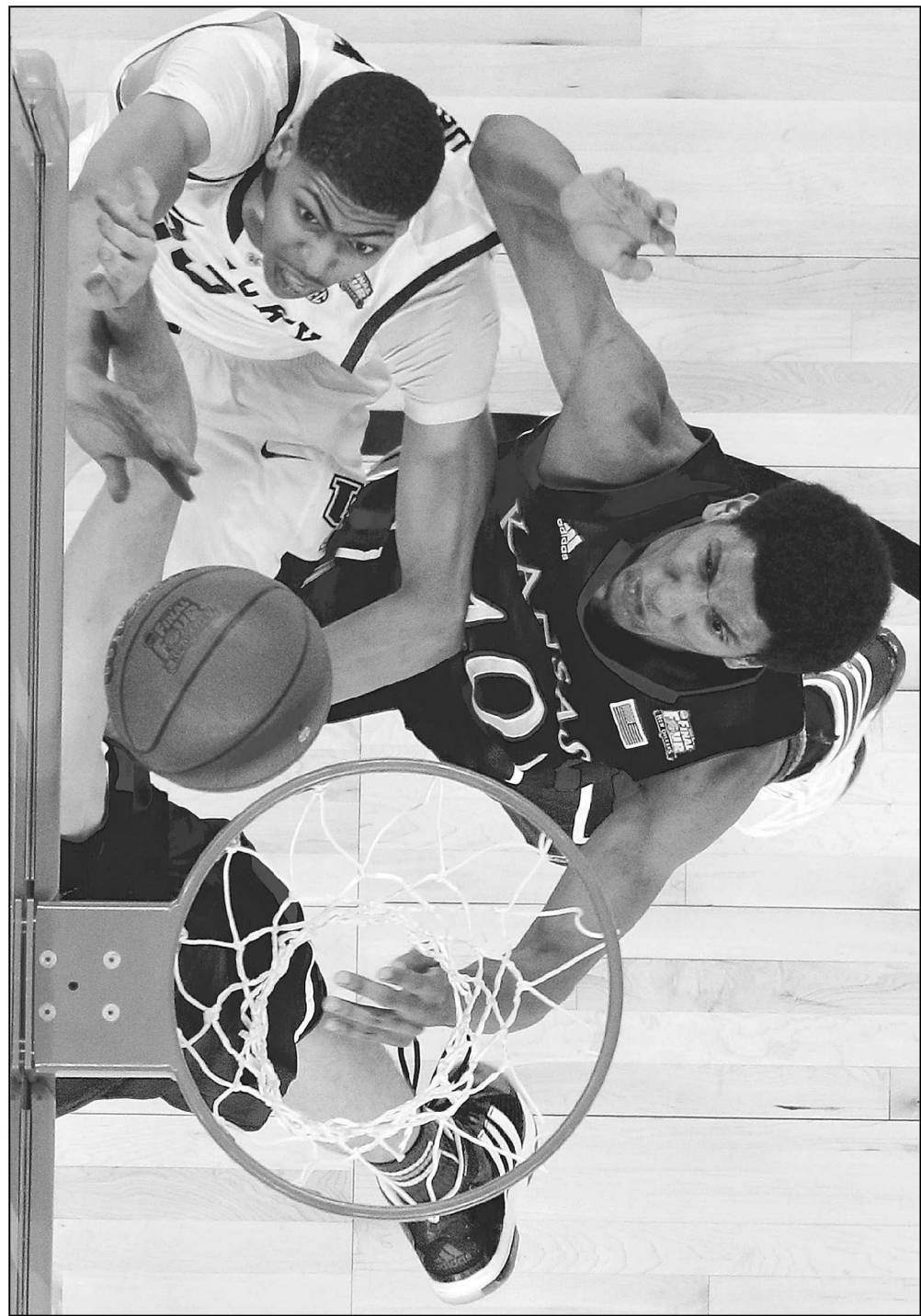
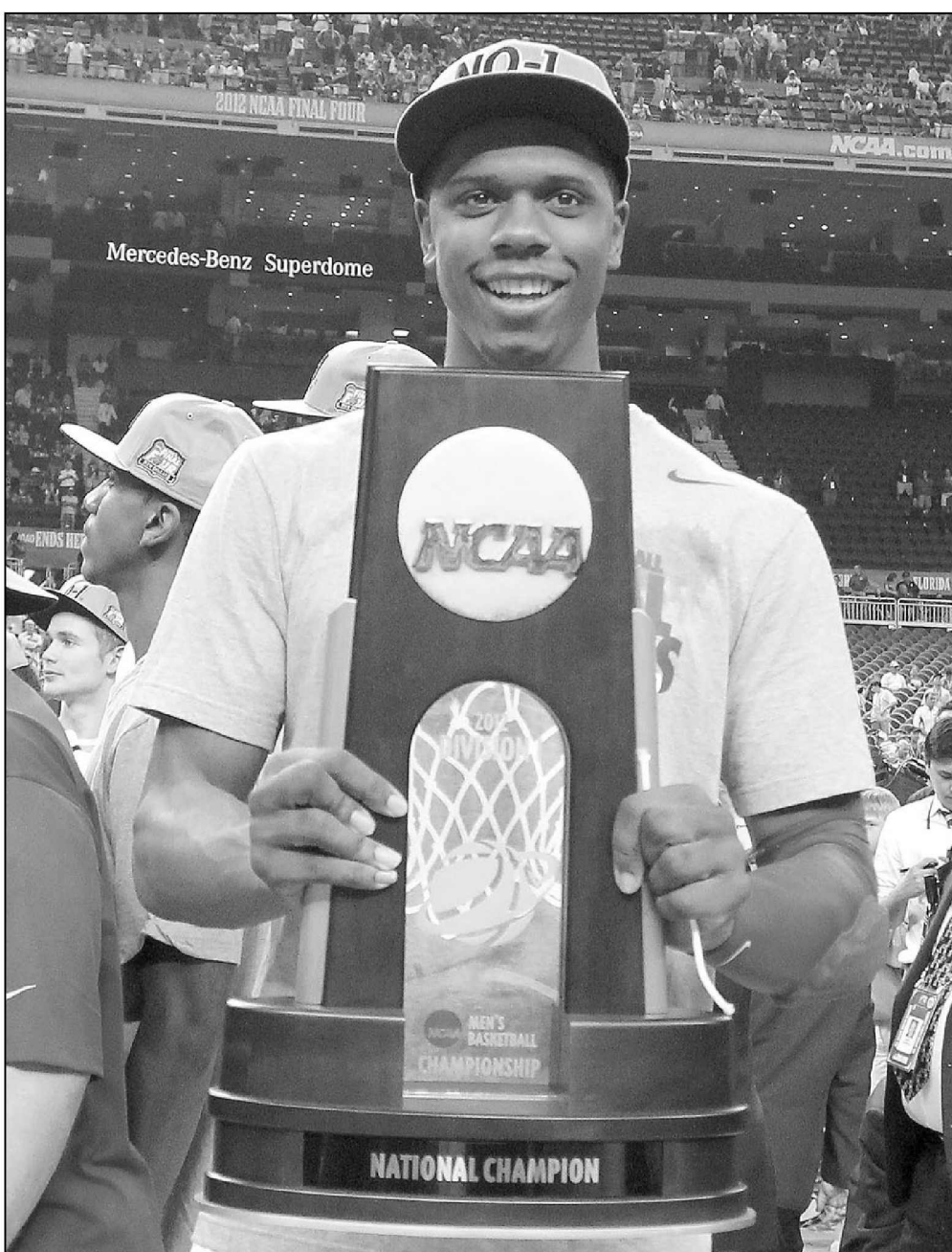
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Above, Kentucky students hold up eight fingers as they celebrate the Wildcats' eighth national championship.
Below, Terrence Jones shows off the championship trophy during the postgame celebration.

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Above, Anthony Davis tries to shoot against Kansas' Kevin Young during the second half.
Below, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist hugs Marquis Teague during the celebration.

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Lamb comes up big when it matters most

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NEW ORLEANS — When Kentucky finished its shootaround Monday at the Superdome, coach John Calipari predicted to his team that Doron Lamb would score 25 points in the national championship game against Kansas.

"He just told us Doron was shooting great and was on fire the whole practice," Kentucky forward Eloy Vargas said. "Coach said he knew he was going to have a great shooting game. He didn't get 25, but he got 22 and that's not too bad."

Lamb's 22 points in the 67-59 victory over Kansas helped the Wildcats win their eighth national title. He was 7 for 12 from the field and 3 for 6 from 3-point range. Kentucky got only seven field goals the second half after building an 18-point lead in the first half, but Lamb had back-to-back 3-pointers in the second half.

"At the shootaround when I watched him, I said he'd get 30 tonight. I'm a little disappointed he only got 22. I exaggerated, I said 25," Calipari said. "He is as good a guard when his motor is moving as any guard in the country. He can play multiple positions. He shoots it. He makes free throws. He's good with the ball. He's crafty. I knew he'd have a big game. I knew it."

Lamb was hoping Calipari was right.

"I had a great shootaround. He told me I'd have 25 today, but I had 22. It feels great. My sophomore year, a championship, my second time to the Final Four, can't get no better than that.

"It means a lot to me. I worked hard to get here. Coach Cal told me I'm going to have a big game today. Had a great shootaround. I made a lot of shots today and helped my team to win."

While Lamb is Kentucky's most prolific shooter, he has had to learn how to drive inside, play better defense and score within Calipari's team system — all things he showcased in the championship game as well as most of the season. He also went over the 1,000-point mark — he has 1,118 points — with the championship performance.

"I don't care who gets the spotlight really. I just go out there and play hard and try to win game. We won the whole championship, so I'm just happy for my teammates," he said. "I just go play my role and do what I have to do to win games. If I am wide open I will knock it down and make plays for myself and my teammates."

Lamb was smiling and dancing with teammate Marquis Teague during the pregame introductions. He was grinning on the national championship podium with teammates during the postgame ceremony.

"We were loose all year. There ain't no pressure on us really. We just had to go out and finish games,"

"It means a lot to me. I worked hard to get here. Coach Cal told me I'm going to have a big game today. Had a great shootaround. I made a lot of shots today and helped my team to win."

Doron Lamb

Lamb said. "We had to play every game like it was our last game. Kansas was a great team. But there was no pressure on us. We have a great team, great players. If we just played our roles, we were going to win games. We actually thought it was kind of fun to be the favorite and have everybody coming at us."

Lamb said it was hard to explain why this team filled with future NBA first-round draft picks bonded so well from the start.

"I don't know. We all like each other. We hang out off the court and go to movies and stuff. We do a lot of things together. We all have a great friendship, and it shows on the court. We played great as a team. We played great defense, talked and had a lot of fun," Lamb said.

"We never have fights or anything like that. We like each other and have a great time with each other and we go on the court and love that. We played great with each other."

Lamb credited Calipari's "family approach" for much of the team's success and attitude.

"After practice, we always go places together. Eat together, movies together. We do everything together. We are always like that. We are always laughing, joking. We are never mad at each other," he said. "On the court we have a great friendship. We run the court together, get back on defense, rebound together and try to win games."

"He is a great coach, great motivator. He gets you to play your best every play of your life. He expects a lot out of you. I know he is hard because he wants me to be great. I work hard and know that if I listen to him, we will win games. I have always been yelled at by coaches even when I was young. I am used to that. It does not affect me or my game if I get yelled at. It doesn't bother me that much because I know he is for me."

Lamb thought of leaving Kentucky after his freshman season for the NBA, but like teammate Terrence Jones, he came back to win the title he got Monday night. He has refused to speculate on what lies ahead, even though he's projected a late first-round draft choice to early second round pick.

"I just wanted to finish my season with a bang and go out strong. I go out there every game and play like my last. Every time I



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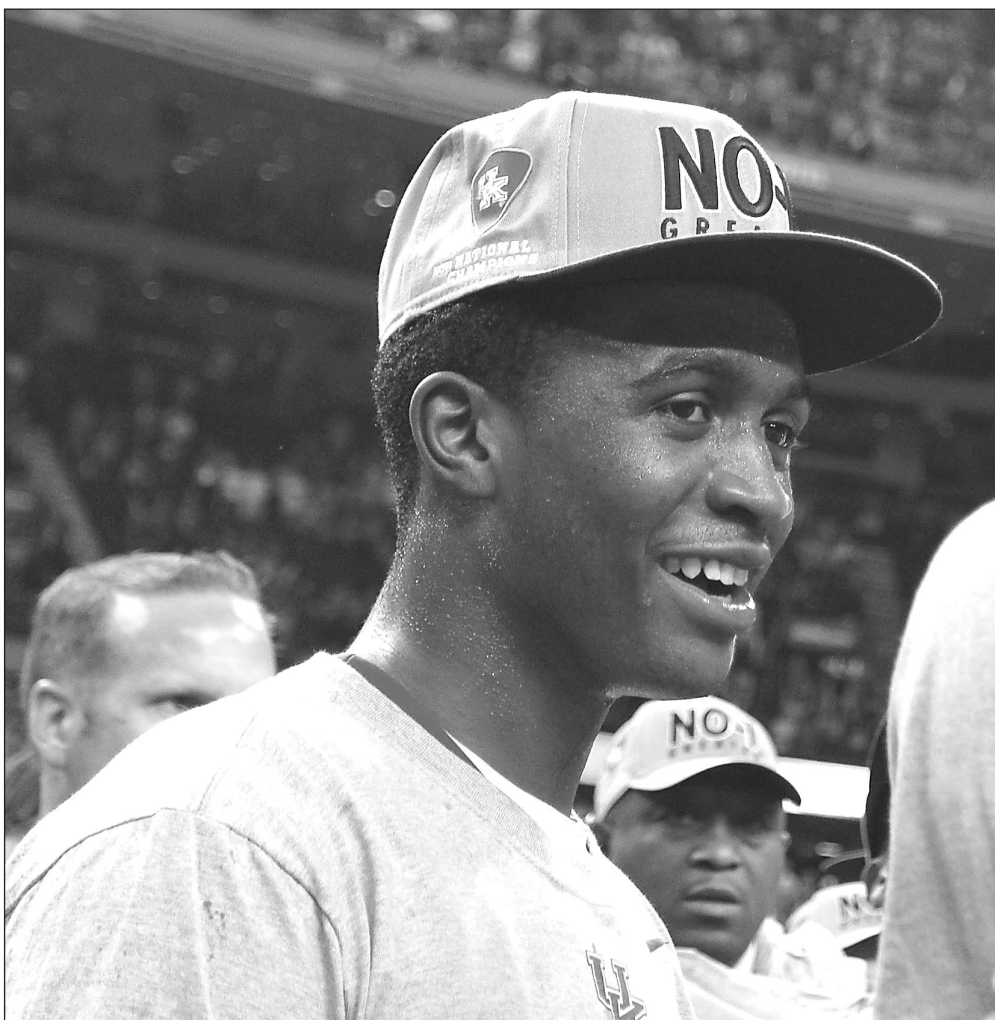
Doron Lamb reacts after a 3-point basket during the first half Monday. Lamb scored a game-high 22 points on 7-of-12 shooting, and he was 3 for 6 from 3-point range.

play a game, I try to go out there and play hard. I've always been that way and there was no reason to change that," he said. "I am not thinking about the NBA. I just wanted to finish my college season and win the whole thing. If the NBA comes, it comes. But I am not going to worry about that.

"We had a great thing going and winning a lot of games and had a great season. I don't think any of us worried about anything but this season and that's why we were so successful. It was never about me or anybody else. It was about our team."

That's why Lamb said he never worried even when Kansas made a late run to get within five points of Kentucky.

"We huddled up and at that moment we just wanted to get stops. We told ourselves we got to get stops to win the game. At the end of the game, we got stops. Marquis (Teague) made the big 3, made two foul shots and I made two foul shots, and that was the game."



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Lamb joins teammates during the postgame celebration. Lamb and coach John Calipari said they felt he would have a good night after the shootaround earlier Monday.

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Calipari finally gets his title — and some validation as well

NEW ORLEANS — Twice before John Calipari had taken a team to the Final Four and lost twice — on the court and to the NCAA.

His Final Four appearance with Massachusetts — and semifinal loss to Kentucky — was voided by the NCAA even though Calipari was never found guilty of any wrongdoing. His Final Four appearance with Memphis — and title game loss to Kansas — was voided after the NCAA gave Memphis the clearance to play Derrick Rose and then voided the wins for playing Rose.

But this time Calipari can keep his Final Four trip and the best prize of all, a national championship.

His one-and-done philosophy turned into won-and-done when UK completed its national championship journey by beating Kansas 67-59 Monday. However, rather than being giddy over the win, Calipari was stoic and almost seemed emotionally drained. Maybe he was afraid to appear to be too happy, thinking the NCAA might try to whack him again. Or maybe all the work he put into this season made him want to cherish the moment internally.

"You know what it is, I told my wife, I'm glad it's done. Now I can get about my business of coaching basketball and getting these players to be the best that they can be, helping young people, you know, create better lives for themselves and their families, and also helping them prepare for life after basketball," Calipari said. "I can get on with that. I don't have to hear the drama. I can just coach now. I don't have to worry. If you want to know the truth, it's almost like, 'Done, let me move on.'"

Sounds good, but it won't happen. His legacy is set in Kentucky, but even with more than 500 wins, 30-win seasons, conference titles, All-American players, NBA draft picks and now a national title, national pundits were debating his future Hall of Fame credentials — and looking to poke holes in them — before the Final Four started. That won't go away.

Just minutes after the title game, Calipari once again was drilled about the one-and-done rule that he has said time after time he was against but national media members often pay no attention.

"I don't think it's a good rule. I hope we change it before this week's out so all these guys have to come back," he joked. "But it is a rule. It's not my rule. It's a rule we have to deal with."

And deal with well. How can anyone argue that John Wall, DeMarcus Cousins, Eric Bledsoe, Daniel Orton or Brandon Knight suffered by playing one year at Kentucky and then becoming NBA millionaires? Anthony Davis and Michael Kidd-Gilchrist will do the same this year. Maybe even Marquis Teague. But tell me one college coach that would not have liked to had those players. Any coach who bemoans the one-and-done player is simply a coach who can't recruit high level talent like that.

But Calipari gets Kentucky basketball is about more than him — or even his players.

"The fans, the Big Blue Nation, all the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, we did this for them, too. We know what it means to them. We know 5,000 of them camp out for our first practice. We go around and



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meet them all. Everywhere we go on the road, it is packed with blue. Tonight's building had to be 70 percent our fans. So we want to do it for them," Calipari said.

"But more importantly, what a lesson for these young people, that if you share, you give up some of yourself for everyone around you, if you care more about the teammates than yourself, it's amazing what you can accomplish. It doesn't matter your age. That's the lesson in this. Everybody wants to go back, that they're all 19 and 18 years old. Yeah, they are. But they're special young people who really decided that, We're going to do this together.

"When you say Michael Gilchrist and Anthony Davis taking the fourth and fifth most shots on our team, that's saying something. I wanted them to feel this, to understand the rest of their life, it's about servant leadership, it's about teaching all those guys how to lead. It wasn't just one guy, I wanted them all to learn how to lead."

They did and all had to at times during the tournament whether it was senior Darius Miller hitting a big shot, sophomores Doron Lamb or Terrence Jones making a shot or grabbing a rebound, or freshmen Davis, Kidd-Gilchrist, Teague and Kyle Wiltjer doing something to change a game in UK's favor. That was the case all season and why UK barely missed having its top six players all average in double figures. It was always about team, never about me."

Calipari wouldn't make it about him after the game, either.

"Guys, I feel the same as I did before the game. I don't feel any different. I'm not going to change who I am. I'm here for these young people, and they know that. I would hope they tell you they play hard because they trust me, and what I'm telling them it's in their best interest," he said. "And so I don't feel any different. I'm not going to feel any different in the morning. I'm going to go to mass in the morning. I'm going to be the same guy I am."

"I'm telling you. It's over now. I can get about my business of coaching young people and not have the drama of all the other stuff."

Again, the no drama wish won't go away. There will be a near-capacity crowd at Rupp Arena this afternoon to welcome the Wildcats back. Then if Calipari gets Nerlens Noel and Shabazz Muhammad both to commit to UK next week as he very well could, he'll have a fourth straight No. 1 recruiting class and likely another freshman-dominated team next season that will go into the year

ranked in the top 10.

Calipari knows his players will grow to appreciate their 38-2 mark and national championship more and more as the years go by.

"They'll have a big picture in the (Joe) Craft Center of their national championship team. They can walk them (their children) up and show them, 'This was me, I was skinny then, I know, but that's what I looked like.' It's for the ages now. It's the eighth national title," Calipari said.

But the Calipari bashers will note that UK was fortunate to win because North Carolina, Syracuse and Michigan State all lost key players to injury or NCAA eligibility — and why do the same bashers treat Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim like a saint despite the problems that program has had? Those critics also won't bash North Carolina for having three players already declared for the NBA draft.

They probably won't even listen to how Calipari gets a player as good as Davis to get 16 rebounds, six blocks, five assists and three steals on a night when he missed nine of 10 shots from the field.

"First of all, it starts with how you recruit them. I mean, you can't tell them you're going to shoot 30 times a game, the offense is going to run through you, you're going to start. None of these guys were promised they would start, how many minutes," Calipari said. "Then you got to recruit them the right way so they know you're trustworthy. And then they got to trust that you're doing it for them, it's not about me."

"Then they'll do what you ask them to do because it's for them. I'm not doing it for me. I said this a couple years ago and everybody got crazy when we had five guys drafted in the first round. This is one of the biggest moments, if not the biggest, in Kentucky history. The reason was, I knew now other kids would look and say, 'You got to go there.' What I'm hoping is there's six first-rounders on this team. We were the first program to have five, let's have six. That's why I've got to go recruiting on Friday."

What he doesn't need is lavish praise from anyone about what he's done. He'll settle for Kentucky fans being happy.

He said a long-time friend called Monday and paid him the best possible compliment by telling him, "You're the same guy now as you were back then."

That's what Calipari wants those who have known him longest to say and believe, but he's not ready to rest on this accomplishment. Not at Kentucky.

"Right now I'm going to have two days and then I've got to go out recruiting Friday. So you tell me to look back. I'm just looking forward," Calipari said. "Let's keep marching. Not trying to offend anybody, but ..."



Kentucky coach John Calipari climbs the ladder to cut the net after winning his first national championship, his first in four trips to the Final Four with three schools — including two that were vacated by the NCAA.

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Kansas' Self praises Calipari

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NEW ORLEANS — Here is what Kansas coach Bill Self had to say about Kentucky coach John Calipari after Kentucky beat Kansas 67-59 Monday to give Calipari his first national championship (Self's Kansas team beat Calipari's Memphis team in the title game in 2008):

Question: As a coach, do you have an appreciation for what the Kentucky staff has done in order to get such a young group of players to be so patient on offense and buy in defensively?

Self: "They've done a great job. They've done a fabulous job coaching their team. They share. They like each other, the appearance is. And they certainly defend. They're playing with pros. That didn't hurt either. But, you know, they've done a great job, great job coaching their team. I don't think their staff gets the credit sometimes that they deserve on how well they coach because they're so talented."

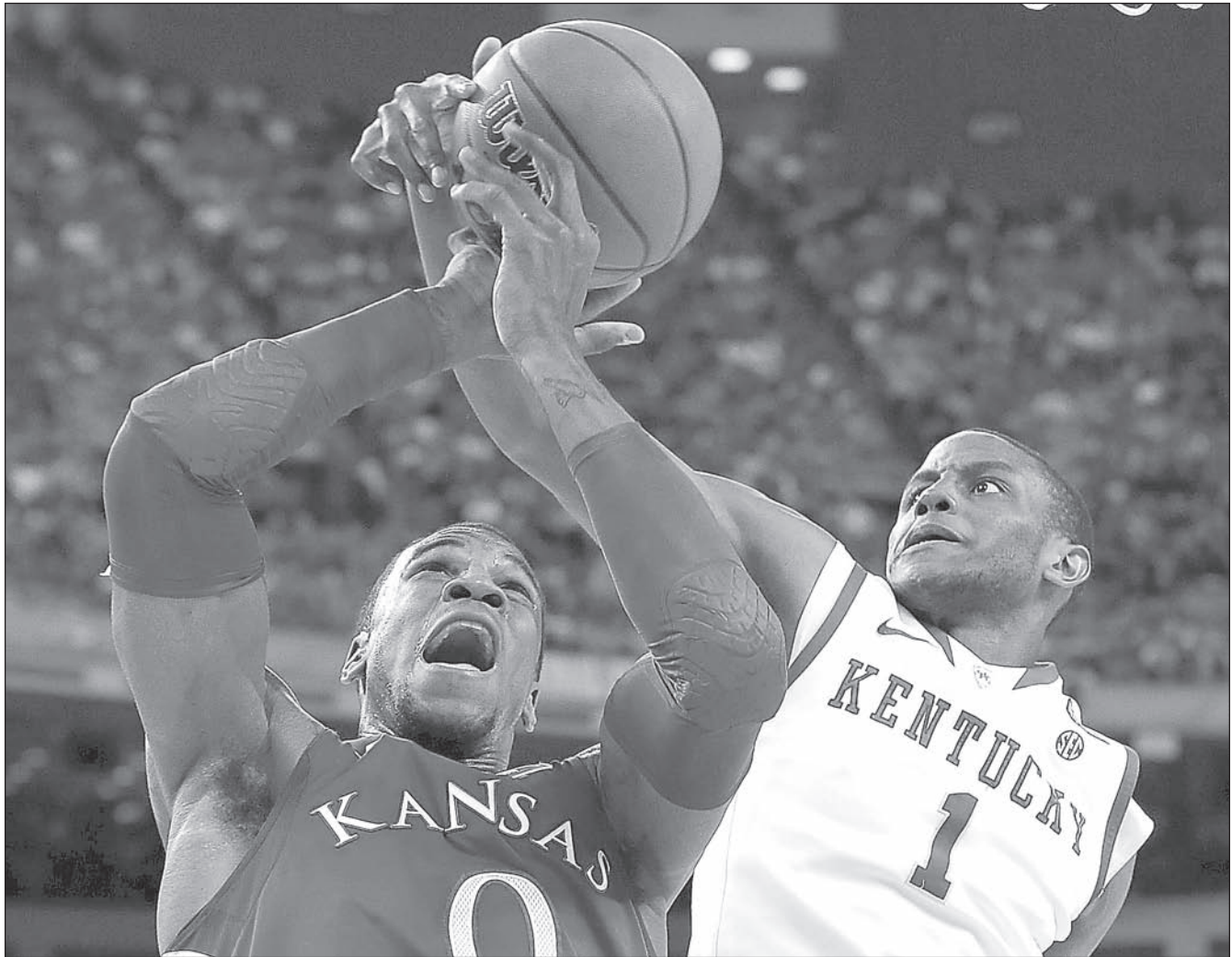
Question: When Calipari went to Kentucky three years ago, do you remember thinking at all that he's going to win a title there, only a matter of time? Did you think it might happen this quickly for him?

Self: "Well, the way that they've done it, I don't think you could really say anything is 'quickly.' Because they've been playing with really talented kids every year. It's not like they recruited freshmen and by the time they're juniors and seniors they're ready. They're turning them over every year.

"But absolutely I thought he'd win a national championship at Kentucky. You know, you have resources. You have facilities. You have so many things going for you there when you recruit the level of players they've recruited, and they coach 'em the way they coach 'em. I think it was obvious that he was going to win a championship."

Question: Calipari said he doesn't need this to validate his career, but what does it mean to win a national championship?

Self: "I can't speak for him, but for me, Kentucky's an historic program. It's unbelievable. But so is our program. And for me personally to be only the third guy to lead his team or coach his team to the winner's circle, so to speak, was an unbelievable, humbling feeling to me, to be a part of something that is so much bigger than me, but still yet be a serious part of the fabric of what the existence of the program has been. I'm sure Cal feels the same way."



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Darius Miller blocks a shot by Kansas' Thomas Robinson during the first half of Monday's championship game.

Championship brings Miller full circle

Senior a leader throughout Wildcats' run to title

By **LARRY VAUGHT**
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NEW ORLEANS — It wasn't hard for Darius Miller to answer — or laugh — when he ever envisioned having the national championship net around his neck when he was a freshman at Kentucky. "No, not my freshman year," the Kentucky senior said Monday after the Wildcats defeated Kansas 67-59 to win Kentucky's first national title since 1998 and eighth overall.

Miller had five points, six rebounds and two blocked shots in the game. He finished his career with 1,248 points — 34th on Kentucky's all-time scoring list. He finished 10th in 3-point field goals with 175 and broke the school record for career games played with 152. He also leaves UK with 489 rebounds, 278 assists, 114 steals and 100 blocked shots. On top of that, he averaged 11.7 points per game — above his career average of 8.2 per game — in 15 NCAA tournament games.

Yet during his freshman season when Kentucky finished with a 22-14 mark and an NIT appearance under Billy Gillispie, there was no reason for Miller to be this optimistic. Even when Gillispie was fired and John Calipari hired, Miller wasn't sure what the future might hold.

"It's totally different. My freshman year, I was in the NIT. All y'all know that. For it to change so fast, it's amazing. I'm blessed to be a part of something like this, especially with these guys," a smiling Miller said.

Miller couldn't express what being on a national

championship team meant.

"I can't really explain it or put it into words. All the hard work that we put in this year, the sacrifices that people have made on this team means a lot, especially with these guys. We've grown as brothers. We've had a lot of fun with this. I can't really put into words how it feels," he said.

The victory makes Miller the first Kentucky player ever to win Kentucky Mr. Basketball, a state high school title and a national title. Louisville All-American Darrell Griffith did the same thing and is the only other Kentuckian to do it.

"I know it means a lot to them. They're huge UK fans. That's even before I got there. I know it means a lot for them, as well as the rest of the people in the state. It's a big accomplishment for all of us here. We're proud to be a part of something like this," Miller said.

Kentucky's run to the national championship faced four major non-conference tests. The Wildcats beat Kansas 75-65 in New York on Nov. 15 in their second game of the season thanks to a second-half blitz that had all five starters score in double figures.

Next came a classic 1-2 matchup with North Carolina in Rupp Arena on Dec. 3 that UK won 73-72 thanks to an incredible block by Anthony Davis of John Henson's potential game-winning shot.

That set the stage for the Dec. 10 game in Bloomington, Ind. Davis got in early foul trouble, Teague struggled in the first half and Jones was so poor — four points, one rebound — that Calipari benched him at the end of



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Miller hugs Kentucky coach John Calipari following the Wildcats' win Monday. Miller, who played for the Kentucky team that went to the NIT in 2009, became the Wildcats' leader in career games played — 152 — in the title game.

game. Lamb missed a key free throw late and Indiana won on a 3-point shot by Christian Watford after UK failed to foul as Calipari wanted since the team had a foul to give.

The New Year's Eve game with Louisville in Rupp Arena took Kidd-Gilchrist's best overall game of the year — 24 points, 19 rebounds — for Kentucky to survive 69-62. About three months later, UK beat Louisville 69-61 in New Orleans to make the Final Four.

Conference play did one major thing early for Kentucky — it made the Cats become more physical. Kentucky had to come from behind to win 65-62 at Tennessee and then hit a different gear after a hard takedown from behind of Davis at LSU inspired the Cats to win 74-50. Kentucky followed that game with a 25-point win over Tennessee, 34-point win over South Carolina and 20-point victory over Florida in its most dominating stretch of the season.

The Cats got a major challenge at Vanderbilt before winning 69-63 on Feb. 11 and 10 days later trailed 41-28 at Mississippi State before a 45-23 second half blitz gave Kentucky a 73-64 victory that again featured five players in double figures — a familiar theme for a team that de-

pended on balanced scoring and the nation's top field goal percentage defense all season.

Kentucky closed the regular season with a 74-59 win at Florida and then was so-so in SEC tourney wins over LSU and Florida before a late scoring drought led to a 71-64 loss to Vanderbilt.

However, the Cats hit another gear in the NCAA tournament. Kentucky dominated Western Kentucky 81-65 and rolled over Iowa State 87-71.

The rematch with Indiana was an offensive shootout that the Cats won 102-90 before they hit Baylor with a first-half knockout to win 82-70. That set the stage for the Battle of the Bluegrass in New Orleans against Louisville, which UK won and then the rematch with Kansas that gave UK the national title.

Davis was a consensus choice as national player of the year after leading the nation in blocked shots and Calipari marveled at his team's offensive efficiency.

"All year our goal was to win the championship," Miller said. "We had fun all year and I think we are all just honored to be part of something like this. We thought we could do, but saying it is a lot easier than doing it. We loved winning this for coach Cal and everybody in Kentucky."

NCAA championships

2012 — Kentucky 67, Kansas 59
2011 — Connecticut 53, Butler 41
2010 — Duke 61, Butler 59
2009 — North Carolina 89, Michigan State 72
2008 — Kansas 75, Memphis 68, OT
2007 — Florida 84, Ohio State 75
2006 — Florida 73, UCLA 57
2005 — North Carolina 75, Illinois 70
2004 — Connecticut 82, Georgia Tech 73
2003 — Syracuse 81, Kansas 78
2002 — Maryland 64, Indiana 52
2001 — Duke 82, Arizona 72
2000 — Michigan State 89, Florida 76
1999 — Connecticut 77, Duke 74
1998 — Kentucky 78, Utah 69
1997 — Arizona 84, Kentucky 79, OT
1996 — Kentucky 76, Syracuse 67
1995 — UCLA 89, Arkansas 78
1994 — Arkansas 76, Duke 72
1993 — North Carolina 77, Michigan 71
1992 — Duke 71, Michigan 51
1991 — Duke 72, Kansas 65
1990 — UNLV 103, Duke 73
1989 — Michigan 80, Seton Hall 79, OT
1988 — Kansas 83, Oklahoma 79
1987 — Indiana 74, Syracuse 73
1986 — Louisville 72, Duke 69
1985 — Villanova 66, Georgetown 64
1984 — Georgetown 84, Houston 75
1983 — N.C. State 54, Houston 52
1982 — North Carolina 63, Georgetown 62
1981 — Indiana 63, North Carolina 50
1980 — Louisville 59, UCLA 54
1979 — Michigan State 75, Indiana State 64
1978 — Kentucky 94, Duke 88
1977 — Marquette 67, North Carolina 59
1976 — Indiana 86, Michigan 68
1975 — UCLA 92, Kentucky 85
1974 — N.C. State 76, Marquette 64
1973 — UCLA 87, Memphis State 66
1972 — UCLA 81, Florida State 76
1971 — UCLA 68, Villanova 62
1970 — UCLA 80, Jacksonville 69
1969 — UCLA 92, Purdue 72
1968 — UCLA 78, North Carolina 55
1967 — UCLA 79, Dayton 64
1966 — Texas Western 72, Kentucky 65
1965 — UCLA 91, Michigan 80
1964 — UCLA 98, Duke 83
1963 — Loyola of Chicago 60, Cincinnati 58, OT
1962 — Cincinnati 71, Ohio State 59
1961 — Cincinnati 70, Ohio State 65, OT
1960 — Ohio State 75, California 55
1959 — California 71, West Virginia 70
1958 — Kentucky 84, Seattle 72
1957 — North Carolina 54, Kansas 53, 3OT
1956 — San Francisco 83, Iowa 71
1955 — San Francisco 77, La Salle 63
1954 — La Salle 92, Bradley 76
1953 — Indiana 69, Kansas 68
1952 — Kansas 80, St. John's 63
1951 — Kentucky 68, Kansas State 58
1950 — CCNY 71, Bradley 68
1949 — Kentucky 46, Oklahoma A&M 36
1948 — Kentucky 58, Baylor 42
1947 — Holy Cross 58, Oklahoma 47
1946 — Oklahoma A&M 43, North Carolina 40
1945 — Oklahoma A&M 49, NYU 45
1944 — Utah 42, Dartmouth 40, OT
1943 — Wyoming 46, Georgetown 34
1942 — Stanford 53, Dartmouth 38
1941 — Wisconsin 39, Washington State 34
1940 — Indiana 60, Kansas 42
1939 — Oregon 46, Ohio State 34

Most titles

Most NCAA Tournament Championships By The Associated Press
11 — UCLA
8 — Kentucky
5 — Indiana; North Carolina
4 — Duke
3 — Connecticut; Kansas
2 — Cincinnati; Florida; Louisville; Michigan State; North Carolina State; Oklahoma A&M; San Francisco

Multiple coaches

Schools winning national championships under multiple coaches
Five Coaches
Kentucky (Adolph Rupp, Joe B. Hall, Rick Pitino, Tubby Smith, John Calipari)
Three Coaches
Kansas (Phog Allen, Larry Brown, Bill Self)
North Carolina (Frank McGuire, Dean Smith, Roy Williams)
Two Coaches
Indiana (Branch McCracken, Bob Knight)
Michigan State (Jud Heathcote, Tom Izzo)
North Carolina State (Norm Sloan, Jim Valvano)
UCLA (John Wooden, Jim Harrick)

NCAA wins

Most NCAA Tournament Wins By The Associated Press
113 — Kentucky
108 — North Carolina
100 — UCLA
96 — Duke
93 — Kansas
64 — Louisville
62 — Indiana
56 — Syracuse
54 — Michigan State
52 — Connecticut
51 — Ohio State

MOPs

NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Players in Kentucky Championship Seasons
1948 — Alex Groza
1949 — Alex Groza
1951 — Bill Spivey
1958 — Elgin Baylor, Seattle
1978 — Jack Givens
1996 — Tony Delk
1998 — Jeff Sheppard
2012 — Anthony Davis

Freshman named Most Outstanding Player
1944 — Arnie Ferrin, Utah
1986 — Pervis Ellison, Louisville
2003 — Carmelo Anthony, Syracuse
2012 — Anthony Davis, Kentucky

Most UK games

Kentucky Games Played Leaders
Darius Miller 2012 152
Wayne Turner 1999 151
Jamaal Magloire 2000 145
Jared Prickett 1997 143
Saul Smith 2001 143
Anthony Epps 1997 141
Ralph Beard 1949 139
Jeff Sheppard 1998 139
Souleymane Camara 2003 136
Keith Bogans 2003 135
Jim Line 1950 135
Tayshaun Prince 2002 135
Source: Bigbluehistory.net

Most games won

Kentucky Games Won Leaders
Wayne Turner 1999 131
Ralph Beard 1949 129
Darius Miller 2012 124
Anthony Epps 1997 123
Jared Prickett 1997 122
Wallace Jones 1949 122
Jim Line 1950 122
Dale Barnstable 1950 119
Allen Edwards 1998 119
Jamaal Magloire 2000 117
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NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

UK dancer wasn't missing final game

By LARRY VAUGHT
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NEW ORLEANS — There was no way Kentucky senior Lindsey Buehner was going to miss the Final Four — and she even managed to get front row seats in the student section for Monday's national championship game.

Buehner is a UK dance team member, but Kentucky did not bring the dance team to any of its postseason games. That left Buehner and several other dance team members on their own to not only get here, but go through the difficult process to get into the games.

"You have to go through three or four lines just to get in. We had to actually line up outside the parking garage to even get in the parking garage," Buehner said. "Then you get your first wristband. You sit there about two hours and wait for them to let you go through the second line of security and everything. Then you actually get your ticket and another wristband and then you can come in here."

"To get front row seats, you had to get there by 5 or 6 a.m. That's what we did the first game (against Louisville on Saturday). This game we were smarter and had different people here at the beginning of the day to stake our spot. A couple of us even



Kentucky dance team member Lindsey Buehner, left, managed to get tickets with fellow dance team members even though they were not performing in the NCAA tournament. Buehner said she felt "she had not slept in days," but would not have missed the championship for anything.

went to Bourbon Street for lunch and somebody saved our spots in line. That was fun and killed some time. Today went by a lot faster

than Saturday."

Buehner, who barely had a voice left, said it had been a "long last couple of days" but seeing UK beat Kansas

67-59 to win the national title was well worth it.

"I feel like I have not been to sleep for days, but it has been so much fun," she said.

"I love being here with my dance team members. Even though we did not get to dance, we have had a blast together and I am so happy

our coach pulled through to help us get tickets.

"I know how many Kentucky fans would have loved to be here. We are skipping classes today. Some skipped on Friday, but I had no classes and most of the professors are cool about it. They said don't miss the opportunity to go to the Final Four. They probably wanted to come see this team. I didn't go to spring break, so this was my spring break. But this team played its heart out all season and has been so determined. I couldn't stand not seeing this."

She's also friends with Kentucky senior Darius Miller, and wanted to watch his final game.

"I wanted it so bad for Darius. He was so ready to get a championship and he deserved it, too," Buehner said. "When he comes out on the floor, he slaps hands with all the students. Other guys are focused on the game, and so is he. But none of them thank the students for being here like Darius does. He has just always been so all about UK and the support he gets."

"He's just great and I had to be here for him and I would imagine a lot of other people here felt exactly the same way. It's been that kind of season. How could you not love him and this team?"

Judd happy to be in New Orleans to watch Cats win

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NEW ORLEANS — Ashley Judd was a bit miffed when she was a little bit late arriving for Kentucky's national championship game.

The Kentucky-born actress had watched the Wildcats beat Louisville on Saturday and then gone to watch her husband, Indy-Car champion Dario Franchitti, race Sunday. She brought Franchitti — who said he had seen Kentucky play in person only twice before — back with her for the title game and was almost at a loss to explain how happy she was after UK beat Kansas 67-59 to win the national title.

"Can I say I almost wet myself?" Judd said as she laughed and watched the players celebrating on the court. "I didn't, but Kentucky fans will know what I mean. I am at the level I could wet myself. It was that exciting. It was really exciting."

"I expected Kansas would make some runs and we would withstand them well, but I got concerned when we made back-to-back turnovers (late in the second half) but our defense was incredible. I think our offense tapered off a little in the second half (when UK had only seven field goals). But it was great just to win."

Kentucky assistant coach Kenny Payne then walked by Judd and stopped to hug her and thank her for being there.

"I would not have missed this. No way," she said. "It is so wonderful."



Actress and Kentucky superfan Ashley Judd reacts Monday as she stands next to her husband, two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Dario Franchitti during the second half of the NCAA championship Monday.

Judd was thrilled her husband got to experience the national title game with her.

She joked he had been to a game at Rupp Arena when he had a broken toe, and someone seeking an autograph stepped on him.

"The pain was so that he had a long memory of that," she said. "But I am

really glad we can replace that memory with this."

Franchitti admitted he "enjoyed the game a lot" even though he was not quite as spirited as his wife and normally remained seated even when she was standing and cheering.

"I really know very little about basketball other than what I learned through the

wife. It's just terrific achievement, though, what Kentucky did tonight," he said. "The whole season she said to me, 'This team is special. This team is special.' To be here and experience this with her was very cool. To watch the players' reaction and the reaction of the fans, it obviously means a lot to a lot of people."

"I very much enjoyed it and congratulations to the team. Everything Ashley has been telling me is true. Kansas put up a hell of a fight, too, but Kentucky wasn't going down."

However, he did get a bit apprehensive when Kansas cut the lead to 62-57 with 97 seconds to play.

"I get stressed watching.

I am not this massive basketball fan and I was getting stressed with two minutes to go and thought, 'Oh no.' I think I am better at doing than watching, but it was a hell of a game and I know Ashley is leaving happy. I'm not quite sure how it would have been going home if Kentucky had not won," he said.

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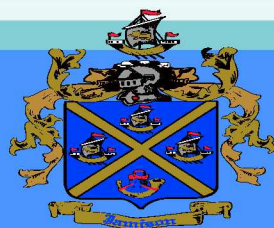
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